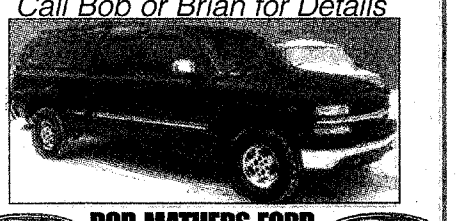
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EJ cheer team nabs fourth at LMC

The East Jordan cheer team took fourth place at the Lake Michigan Conference competitive cheer competition in Elk Rapids on Wednesday, Jan. 31. See page 7.

Proposal could save student loan interest

College students could see their loan interest cut in half over the next five years if the U.S. Senate and president follow the U.S. House's lead. See page 3.

WEATHER

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7
Hi: 17 Lo: 13
Condition:
Snow Shower

THURSDAY, FEB, 8
Hi: 19 Lo: 13
Condition:
Snow Showers

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Snow Shower

SATURDAY, FEB. 10
Hi: 18 Lo: 8
Condition:
Snow Shower

SUNDAY, FEB. 11
Hi: 16 Lo: 8
Condition:
Few Snow Showers

MONDAY, FEB. 12
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Mostly Cloudy

TUESDAY, FEB. 13
Hi: 28 Lo: 17
Condition:
Mostly Cloudy

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14
Hi: 27 Lo: 22
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Partly Cloudy

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Scavenger hunt planned with Dora and Diego

BOYNE CITY — Children and their families are invited to join Dora and Diego for a scavenger hunt and sensory exploration at the "Hero Party" Tuesday, Feb. 13, at Boyne City Elementary School.

The popular cartoon characters will lead families on a night of fun and exploration. The event is geared toward children birth to age five and their families; older siblings are welcome.

The party begins at 5:30 p.m. with a no-cost kid-friendly dinner and runs until 7 p.m. Organizers suggest children wear play clothes for the evening.

Children and families will use a map to help Dora and Diego find hidden treasures located throughout Boyne City Elementary School. Each child is asked to bring an empty, plastic 20-ounce pop bottle with cap from home to fill up with discovery treasures to take home.

Children birth to 36 months will explore their five senses through parent/child activities such as playdough, ice castles, fun with shaving cream, and much more.

Make-n-take activities include an infant snuggly, and a touch and feel book for toddlers.

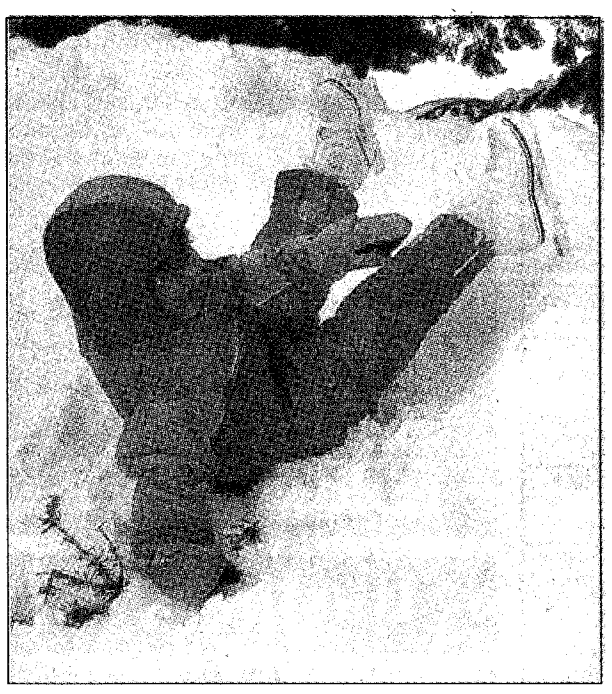
"For infants and preschoolers, everything everywhere calls out to be touched, manipulated, jumped on, tasted, and examined," said Cindy Kujawski, a family school liaison with Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District.

"Being a young explorer is serious business - learning, testing, and pushing the limits - and it takes a lot of energy."

The Hero Party is just the place for children and their families to explore all their senses, she said.

The scavenger hunt and sensory exploration is sponsored by Boyne City Elementary School and Stepping Stones to School. For information, call 231-582-8070.

Ice stroll



Annabelle Smith, 2, found a snow bank to roll down at the ice rink at Avalanche Park in Boyne City.



Braving frigid temperatures, Amber Smith, 3, (left) and Annabelle Smith, 2, (right) skated at Avalanche Park ice rink in Boyne City Sunday. The sisters are the daughters of Rachel and Kahl Smith of Boyne City. Little brother, Addison, who is three months old, was home with Dad while Mom was at the rink with the girls.

Photos by B.J. Hetler

Dental office offers latest technology

By Deborah Hawkes
Contributing Writer

EAST JORDAN — Visiting the dentist office is not something most people look forward to doing. It can be a painful and uncomfortable experience. It's for this reason a local dentist office invested in the latest technology to treat their patients.

Maple Ridge Dental of East Jordan uses the Biolase Waterlase unit in their office. According to Dr. Brian Sladics, the Waterlase is a laser, which received FDA approval for use in the dental field in 1998. The advantage of laser dentistry over other units is its efficiency, precision, and ability to reduce the need for local anesthesia.

The Waterlase is an invisible laser with a small red light, which operates as an aiming device for the dentist.

"When the laser is working, there is absolutely no vibration or friction on the tooth or soft tissue. Therefore, many procedures can be done with little and sometimes no local anesthetic. This means that people do not have to have an injection or fat lip before treatment with the laser," Dr. Sladics said.

The unit produces a laser beam. "There is a water spray, which interacts with the laser beam creating a release of energy, which works on the hard or soft tissue. This is why the unit is called a Waterlase, because water is a critical part of how this laser unit works," Sladics said.

The laser has multiple uses in dentistry including: gum surgeries, fillings, root canals, bone cutting, tooth whitening, and desensitization of tooth surfaces. "Speaking from personal experience, it is best utilized to clean small cavities that do not have previous silver fillings already in place. Eighty-five percent of the time, no local anesthetic is needed." Dr. Sladics said "early detection of cavities to insure work with a laser, and therefore avoid the dreaded numb, drill, and fill."

Dr. Danielle Swartz agrees with the success.

"It allows us to diagnose and treat our patients in the most advanced and painless way possible. It's especially successful for children. It creates a really great first experience for children who need restorations (fillings). We try to stay on top of current advancements to provide our patients with the most up-to-date treatment we can."

Maple Ridge Dental is equipped with twelve patient rooms is accepting new patients. The office partici-

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Photo by Deborah Hawkes

Dr. Danielle Swartz of Maple Ridge Dental is seen here with the Biolase Waterlase, a laser used to make dental treatments less painful for her patients.

Investigative team's focus is on drug overdose deaths

BY B. J. HETLER
Contributing Writer

BOYNE CITY — Charlevoix County's drug death investigative team worked with the Boyne City Police Department on a case recently, when the case involved a suspected drug overdose death.

The department and EMS responded to a call on Jan. 14 from 911 Central Dispatch, stating a woman was believed to be dead in her apartment. Roberta King had died and the county medical examiner determined the death was from an overdose of drugs. Results of an autopsy are still pending.

The investigative team is called in by the prosecuting attorney when a death is unattended or when a drug overdose is suspected.

With a team of experienced investigators of different jurisdictions, it provides a consistent and more rapid investigation, said Boyne City Police Chief Randy Howard.

"It's a proactive approach, not a reactive one," Howard said. "It provides a uniform investigation and prosecution." He explained having the team on scene means numerous leads are followed up by several investigators.

The team was developed and instituted by county prosecutor John Jarema in early 2005. Its purpose is to provide a thorough investigation of all drug related deaths in Charlevoix County.

Six investigators from various law enforcement agencies make up the team: one from the Michigan State Police, two from the sheriff's office and one from each of the county's cities, Boyne City, East Jordan and Charlevoix.



John Jarema

"My goal is to have a swift investigation, to get the best possible investigation we can and hold people accountable," Jarema said.

Federal law and a new Michigan statute provide for prosecution of anyone who supplies drugs to a person who dies from those drugs. The Michigan statute is MCL 333.7401, known as "delivery of controlled substance causing death." The

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Wildlife increasing in unusual places

BY B. J. HETLER
Contributing Writer

CHARLEVOIX CO. — Bears spotted in downtown Charlevoix, foxes checking out summer homes and woodchucks exploring the inside of vehicles are some of the situations county animal control officers handle in their jobs.

As residential development decreases habitat, our forest and field friends wander into areas that get them into trouble.

According to the county animal control 2006 annual report, each year more wildlife are seen in human populated areas.

Animal control officer and supervisor, Julie Whitley, submitted the report to county commissioners at a Jan. 24 meeting. Other information provided shows an increase in dog licenses with 2,277 sold in 2006, compared to 1,578 in 2005.

Most people would like the county to reinstitute the mailing of reminders for purchasing dog licenses, Whitley said.

The euthanasia rate has continued to decline, Whitley reported. In 2006 it was at 332 animals, down from 384 in 2005, 394 in 2004 and 449 in 2003. The decline may be because of the push to spay or neuter pets by animal control and the Humane Society. Also, state law requires all animals adopted from a shelter to be spayed or neutered.

The Boyne City shelter offers low cost spay, neuter and vaccinations monthly.

COURT REPORT

District Court

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court for the County of Charlevoix:

Terry James Martin, 47, Petoskey. Violation of restricted license. Sentenced to pay $300 in fines and costs.

Robert Joseph Matheny Jr., 44, East Jordan. Violation of city refuse ordinance. Sentenced to pay $200 in fines and costs.

Tia Marie Shotmiller, 18, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol, 2nd offense. Sentenced to pay $200 in fines and costs.

Melissa Ann Garner, 20, Charlevoix. Disorderly person. Sentenced to pay $300 in fines and costs.

Ryan Arthur Cox, 20, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Sentenced to pay $300 in fines and costs.

Brian Lee-Anthony Starr, 22. Driver of a vehicle with open intoxicant. Sentenced to pay $250 in fines and costs.

Donald James Hopper, 23, Boyne City. No operator's license on person. Sentenced to pay $150 in fines and costs.

Chad Wayne Stockman, 39, Alba. Disorderly person. Sentenced to pay $350 in fines and costs.

Dylan Mitchell Moore, 21, Boyne City. Driving without a license and without vehicle security. Sentenced to serve 90 days in jail.

Stefani Renae Wittenmyer, 21, Boyne City. Minor in possession of alcohol. Sentenced to pay $250 in fines and costs and to perform 60 hours of community services work.

Assumed Names

The following businesses recently filed with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office for an assumed name for doing business:

Harbor View Cleaning, 753 Line St., Boyne City, by Randy Hanson.

Giuliana, 317 E. Cedar St., Boyne City, by Nan L. Larabell.

Always Cleaning, 14570 W. Carpenter, Charlevoix, by Holly McYarey.

Great Lakes It, 08864 Old U.S. 31 North, Hayes Township, by Craig Stewart.

Cedarlock Construction Inc., 4270 Wildwood Harbor Road, Boyne City, by Robert J. Cearlock.

The Pet Shop, 11345 Boyne City-Charlevoix Road, by Maureen Wagner.

MeMe Jeanie's, 3419 Woodland Court, Elmira, by Melissa Milbrant.

Gastineau Insurance Agency, 202 S. Lake St., Boyne City, by Kenneth R. Kruzel.

Northern Michigan Intermediaries, 403 Petoskey Ave., Charlevoix, by Bill Herriman and Kristen Herriman.

Marriage Licenses

The following people have recently filed for marriage licenses with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Jeffrey Allen Grice, 45, Boyne City and Vicki Lynn Bennett, 35, Boyne City.

Matthew James Stahl, 37, Charlevoix and Christine A. Weigandt, 41, Saginaw.

BCPD NEWS

Monday, Jan. 29 - Officers received a driving complaint on South M-75; received a report of a property damage accident from Boyne Avenue near Division Street; assisted a motorist at Boyne Avenue and Boyne City-East Jordan Road; assisted Boyne City Ambulance Department on Maddy Lane.

Tuesday, Jan. 30 - Police conducted a property check on Brockway Street; arrested one for unlawful driving away of automobile, no operators license; issued a speed citation; arrested one on warrant; unlocked vehicle at Parkview Apartments.

Wednesday, Jan. 31 - Police received a report of barking dog on S. Lake Street; responded to a family dispute on Wenonah Street; issued a citation for failed to wear seat belt; issued a citation for expired plate; unlocked a vehicle at high school parking lot; arrested one for driving while license suspended.

Thursday, Feb. I - Officers receives a driving complaint near S. Park and E. Main Streets; received a report of a hit and run to a vehicle in Glen's lot; issued citations for speed, defective equipment and expired registration.

Friday, Feb. 2 - Officers investigated a suspicious vehicle on Boyne Avenue; arrested one on warrant; unlocked a vehicle on Boyne Avenue; received a parking complaint in Glen's lot; issued a citation for no proof of insurance.

Saturday, Feb. 3 - Police issued a parking citation; received a driving complaint on Charlevoix Street; assisted a motorist on Lexamar Drive.

Sunday, Feb. 4 - Officers conducted a property check on Boyne Avenue; unlocked a vehicle on W. Court Street; assisted a motorist on N. Lake

Dentist

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pates with Delta Dental, Blue Cross Blue Shield, and other smaller insurance companies. In addition, Dr. Swartz participates with Northern Dental Plan. To schedule an appointment call 231-536-2601 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Drugs

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felony is punishable by life or any term of years in prison.

The team has been used in three drug related deaths in the area. The team was instrumental in putting together a case against drug dealer, Robert King, former husband of Roberta King. He was charged under the federal law for two drug overdose deaths. Robert King is now serving a 24-year sentence in federal prison.

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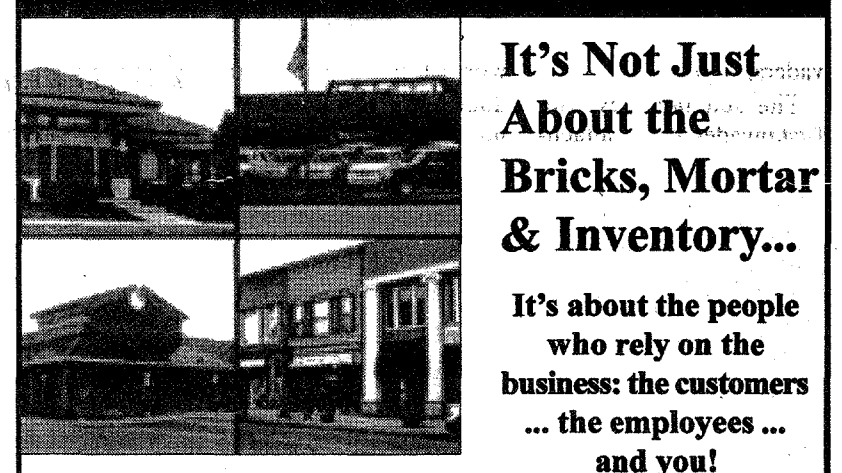
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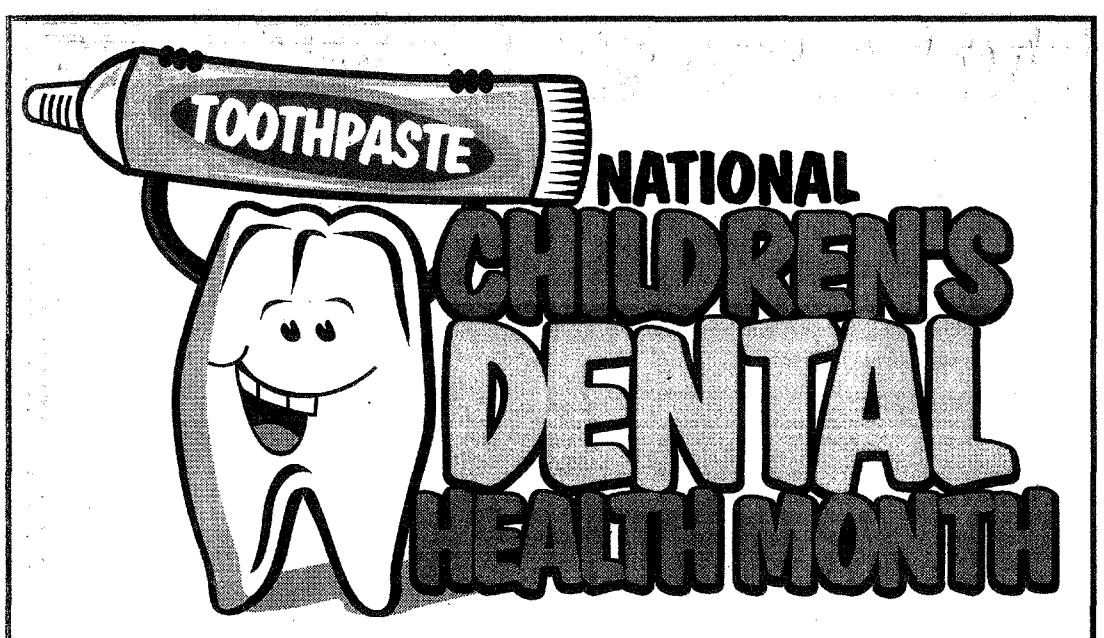
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WEEKLY *Health Tips*

By Steve Czerkes Pharmacist



Eating Fish May Prevent AMD

Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) is one of the leading causes of blindness. Two recent studies published in the *Archives of Ophthalmology* reported that eating fish may reduce the risk of developing AMD. In the first study, those who ate two or more servings a week had a 37% reduced risk when compared to those who ate little or no fish. The second study revealed that people who consumed fish three or more times a week are 75% less likely to develop age related maculopathy, a condition which can lead to AMD. Smoking also boosts the risk of AMD.

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ISEA speaker introduces newest sea invaders

CENTRAL LAKE — A bring-in-more-chairs crowd greeted speaker Tom Kelly Thursday, Jan. 25 , at the Central Lake Government Center. Usually he is educating fifth to eighth grade youngsters, over 70,000 of them, since he founded the Inland Seas Education Association to excite children about science and encourage them to commit themselves and their families and friends to scientific exploration.

Thursday night's audience consisted of adults whose concerns about the invasions of sea life which threaten our lakes ranged from those of rank newcomers to those of long term members of the Three Lakes Association. Kelly addressed them all in his presentation and the question period which followed.

Kelly began with a history of the invasions. Most of these invasive threats begin in the Caspian Sea, and since the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway in 1959 have been arriving into our inland seas in the ballast water from foreign ships and even more recently in non-ballast ships which still bring in unwanted invaders.

The sea lamprey, the first invader, began attaching themselves to trout, nearly destroying that population in the Great Lakes. The 60's brought the alewives which became, at their worst, 98 percent of the fish population in Lake Michigan. Salmon was deliberately introduced to combat the alewives and did, but a new invader, the zebra mussel, arrived in Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair River in 1988, and spread throughout the great and the inland lakes and rivers and is still with us. In 1999, one of the invaders was first discovered in West Traverse Bay by a boatload of middle school kids on one of Kelly's sailing schooners.

The quagga mussel later joined its water-filtering zebra cousin, and all mussels present a whole new threat because of their ingesting and spewing out of the waters in which they live. They clarify the water while ingesting one cell plants as food, but that also allows sunshine to penetrate farther into the water depth and grow new botanical threats such as stonewort which decay, float to the surface, and foul the shorelines. This process allowed botulism to grow in the tempting fare on the beaches which recently has killed many waterfowl in Michigan. In Peru a few years ago such botulism killed thousands of people, always a possibility elsewhere.

A newer invader, a little shrimp called an amphipod, consumed thousands of square meters of the favorite food of the whitefish which literally began to starve and die in great numbers. The adaptive whitefish, however, has begun eating its new food, the zebra mussel, and is staging a comeback, although smaller than its ancestors. So some of these earlier hunters are becoming the hunted, but new predators keep arriving.

One of the newest critter invaders, the 184th by expert count, is the goby, a voracious eater of fish eggs, a potential destroyer of all fish varieties. Another is the rusty crayfish, a particularly aggressive creature. Science News just two weeks ago warned, on line, the probable dangers of the newest, the hemimysis, the "red shrimp" which reproduces rapidly and abundantly. Although what it will attack is yet unknown, its rapid reproduction alone is a threat.

Other ballast water dangers are botanical. Phragmites are grasses that rapidly rootspread on shores and require a dedicated three year program before being destroyed rather than destroying. A recent lovely sunset picture printed in a local newspaper identified these just as sea grasses, not as a plant that can destroy everything in its path.

Some threats have been introduced by man to overcome a known threat and then become an even worse threat. Man-introduced Asian carp is the most recent and most threatening of all, something Kelly asked all in the audience to help stamp out by phoning our Congressmen. We need to back up a bill that has passed the Senate and the House and will be going into the compromise sessions within weeks. Go on the internet www.michigan.gov to get your Representative's local or DC phone number.

Senate Bill #770, National Aquatic Invasive Species Act (or NAISA) stresses prevention. Funding the creation of barriers would turn back the would-be invaders. Such a barrier — a generated electrical pulse stemming from railroad ties on the bottom — has been successfully turning back Asian carp in the Chicago Ship and Sanitary Canal near Des Plaines for a few years. Senator Carl Levin is one of the sponsors and Senator Debbie Stabenow is an avid supporter. Kelly recommended all concerned call – not mail – their Congressional Representatives to insure the passing of Senate Bill #770. Unfortunately, no Great Lakes congressmen are on the compromise committee.

Kelly thanked the Antrim County Democrats, the sponsors of the Jan. 25 program, for their concern and willingness to help spread helpful information about it. Kelly would be happy to hear from anyone interested in any part of his program. Some grandparents in the audience are already planning sending or going with young ones on one of his many summer programs on Grand Traverse Bay. He can be reached at 231-271- 3077, via e-mail at tkelly@schoolship.org or at Island Seas Education Association in Suttons Bay.

CSI: BIG TOBACCO

Speaker returns to reveal truths about smoking

TRAVERSE CITY – Famous scientist and former tobacco giant employee Philip Morris, Dr. Victor DeNoble, will make a return visit to Traverse City to share his heroic story of how he used innovative scientific techniques to expose the crimes of Philip Morris, explain the breakthrough science of tobacco addiction, and why we need to be concerned about second-hand smoke.

As a former employe, DeNoble became a whistle blower to protect the public. DeNoble is a nationally renowned and dynamic speaker who gives a compelling presentation, detailing the tobacco industry's strategies to keep smokers addicted and other deceptions. He was one of the first whistleblowers, who inspired the making of the movie "The Insider," which was partly based on his life.

Between Feb. 19 and 23, as part of the Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation 2007 Victor DeNoble smoking cessation project, DeNoble will visit about 12 local schools in Benzie, Grand Traverse, and Kalkaska counties and will give two evening presentations open to the public. All presentations are provided at no charge.

DeNoble will present Tuesday, Feb. 20, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Blair Elementary School gymnasium,Traverse City with a reception following. This event is made possible through Traverse City Area Public Schools.

DeNoble will present Thursday, Feb. 22, from 6:30 to8:30 p.m. at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, in Mackinaw, Room A with a reception following. The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians is sponsoring this presentation.

For more than 10 years, DeNoble has presented to school children and adults about the truth about the tobacco industry. He is an expert on tobacco and drug addiction and explains how these substances affect the brain. He also promotes the field of science to youth, since his knowledge of science led him to his discoveries and evidence.

For information about DeNoble or his upcoming visit contact Lisa Danto RN, at 231-271-3684.

Additional funding for the event is is provided by: AlcoTec Wire Corporation; Asthma Coalition of Northwest Michigan; Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department; Deerhaven Family Dentistry; Grand Valley State University School of Social Work; Kingsley Area Schools, Safe and Drug Free Schools Program; Munson Medical Center; Oryana Food Cooperative; Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services, Traverse City Clinic; The Prescription Shops; Traverse City Elks Lodge 323; and Traverse City Eye Consultants

:For people inspired by DeNoble to quit smoking, there is an 8-week smoking cessation class starting on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 6:30 pm, at Scholars Hall, Room 9, at Northwestern Michigan College, for $150 including materials. The class, Freedom From Smoking: The Keys To Quitting, is taught by Danto, RN. Register through NMC by calling 231-995-1700.

Tops in tootsie sales



Photo by Larry See Jr.

Representatives of Knights of Columbus Council 7419 of Kalkaska presented a check of over $600 to GTI staff and consumers last week. The Mancelona outlet of GTI Industries sold Tootsie Rolls for the council and will use the proceeds for various projects, such as craft supplies, their small garden plot and cooking materials. Council representatives expressed appreciation to the Mancelona community for donating so generously during the drive last year. Making the presentation are (l-r) Don Dzwik and Don MacDonald, Knights representatives, Bill, Serena Banwell and GTI staff members Elizabeth Batterbee and Douglas Ryba.

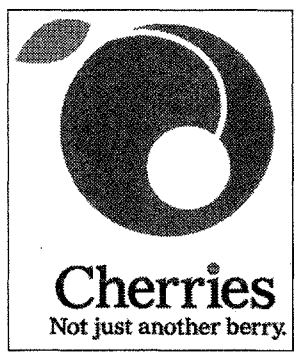
Antrim cherries will assist in meeting at the "big apple"

By Jeffray N. Kessler
Contributing Writer

ANTRIM COUNTY — If you live in Antrim County or neighboring regions, cherries are part of your life. Whether you are sweet on the "sweets" or tart on the "tarts", cherries are more to all of us than a roadside stand treat or a crimson novelty food. February is the national acknowledgement of this crop that is a mainstay for all of us who have planted our roots in northern Michigan. Our farmers, neighbors, friends...all of us are part of a new campaign. Cherries are hitting the big time.

After several years of research and planning, the cherry industry has decided to take a major leap onto the international food stage. With a new logo, slogan, marketing strategy and advertising campaign, cherries have decided to do much more than just hang around on a branch sunning in their favorite grove. The new program begins Feb. 6 with a gala kickoff in New York City, where the plan is to paint the town *cherry* red.

Cherry growers in the top producing states and Canada have decided they have a story to tell and indeed the cherry is *not* just another berry. Spearheaded by the



The new logo developed by the Cherry Marketing Institute is just one of new items being rolled out for the launch of the cherries this month in New York City.

Cherry Marketing Institute in Lansing, an industry task force was formed.

Phil Korson, president of CMI, said, "Our members decided that not enough people knew about the uses and benefits that cherries offer."

Growers in Washington, Utah, New York, Michigan, and Canada moved to initiate research into the health benefits of cherries and then move them into the national spotlight.

Korson added, "There was an extensive search for a marketing agency, and we are very pleased with the work they have done. The strategy is right on track." The plan included hiring Jeff Manning as chief marketing director and the Webber/ Shandwick agency from Chicago. Both gained fame as authors and implementers of the national "Got Milk" campaign.

The marketing effort begins with a juicy kick off in New York, but is a year-long campaign that ties into many health-related themes. The Food Network is involved, and prime spots on the morning shows are planned, along with print media, including magazines like "Good Housekeeping" and "Prevention". It also includes a new Web site both informative and promotional (www.choosecherries.com).

At King Orchards in Central Lake, response is very positive.

Sales and marketing coordinator Mike Berst said, "We have been farmers, not marketers up until now. This program gets us into the health benefits discussions that have included cranberries and blueberries."

Customer service manager Patty Hill said "We have all known about the benefit that cherries offer for a long time. Every week we hear testimonials from customers. It will be great to have this awareness spread throughout the year and across the country. Something good has been happening."

"Testimonial" is probably one of the descriptions of the new marketing push. There is no shortage of backing for the message being carried out. In New York, the "Cherry Nutritional Report", a long-awaited composite of expert analysis, will be released. Whether it be USDA studies that conclude to the positive about cherry use or thousands of people who are not shy about touting the relief that cherries have provided for them from the discomforts of gout, or heart disease, cancers or arthritis. Words like antioxidants, anti-inflammatory, melatonin, and nutritional are all over the information that many say they have known about for decades. Nutraceuticals is the new industry buzz word for our tart cherries. You have loaded them into your pies and consumed them in juice concentrate form.

New York will get a good taste of Antrim County at the kick-off thanks to the shrewd marketers at King Orchards. Those attending will receive a little treats bag filled with cherries in many of their most delicious forms directly from the King farm.

For farmers, retailers, and wholesalers, the small family farmer and the larger agribusinesses, the program will have to prove itself. The results will most probably be different for each, and certainly remain to be seen, but there is no doubt that the cherry industry has entered a new era.

WORD ON THE STREET

"What is one unsolved mystery you'd like to know the truth about, and what about it intrigues you?"



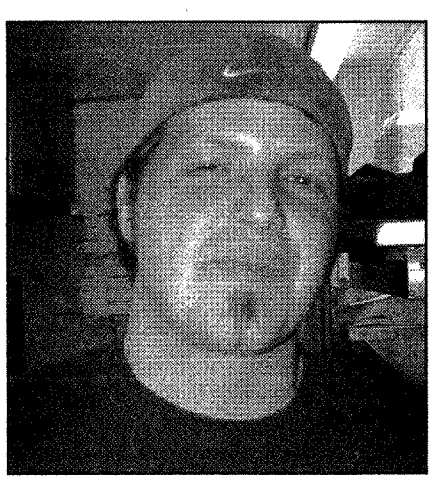
"IS THERE life outside our solar system? I want to know about its biological origin."
– Debbie Bull, South Boardman



"WHAT CAUSES autism. More and more kids are being diagnosed with it."
– Jill Kirk, Clearwater Twp.



"JFK. NO one knows what he did."
– Tyler Dollaway, Mancelona



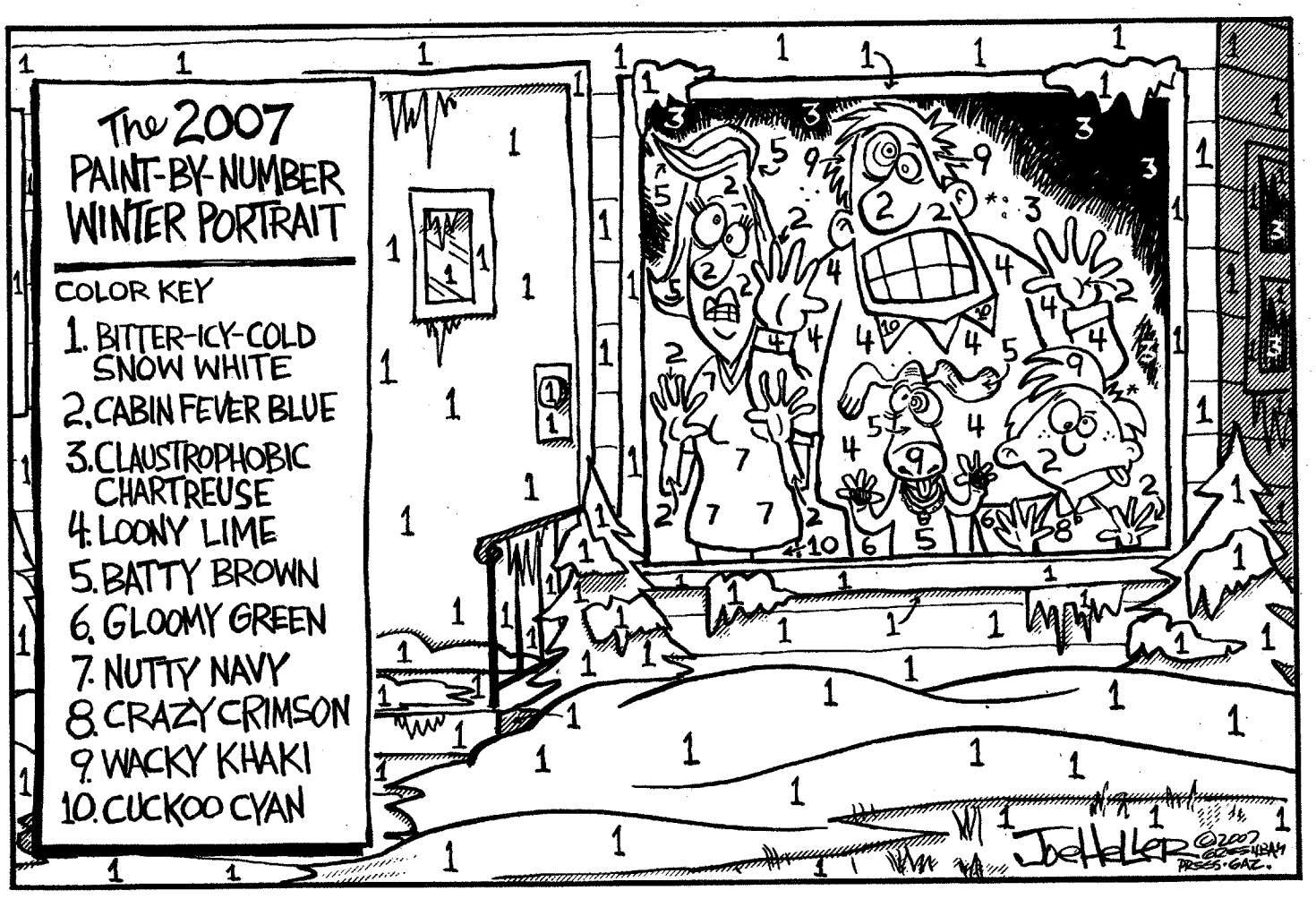
"ROSWELL, N.M. I would like to see if the goverment actually covered up things and if there really is life on other planets."
– Josh Kruger, Mancelona



"I WANT to know what happened to Amelia Earhart. She just disappeared. They never found a trace of her or her plane."
– Rose Broome, Elk Rapids



"I'D LIKE to know if angels really exist, especially guardian angels. Just the thought that they do makes you feel good — like you've got someone looking out for you."
– Pat Tellor, Elk Rapids

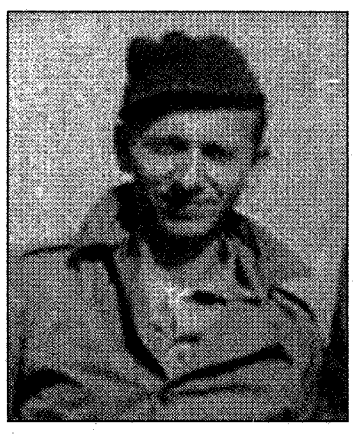


VETERAN OF THE MONTH

The Veteran of the Month for February is Clarence Bernard Meldrum.

Born Jan. 21, 1918, in Marine City, Mich., Meldrum left school in January, 1933 to work in the family ship building business and later for Chris Craft Boat Works in Algonac and then Universal Products in Dearborn as a gauge inspector. On May 22, 1942, he was inducted into the Army in Detroit and assigned to the III Fighter Command, Communication Company, 501st Signal Aircraft Warning Regiment.

On June 6, 1942, Meldrum was Temporary Duty to the Administration Department, Aircraft Warning Systems School, Drew Field, Florida and on July 4, 1942 he completed instruction in "General Clerk" and resumed basic training including attendance at "Radio Operator



School" in January, 1943. On Aug. 10, 1943, Meldrum departed the United States, arriving in the Pacific Theater of Operations on Aug. 25, 1943, and was assigned to the 691st Signal Aircraft Warning Company stationed at Fort Greely, Alaska, and later was transferred to the 707th Signal Aircraft Warning Company in the Aleutian Islands, serving as the supply noncommissioned officer.

On Nov. 2, 1945, Meldrum departed the Pacific Theater of Operations arriving in the United States on Nov. 9, 1945. On Nov. 19, 1945, he received an honorable discharge at the Separation Center, Fort Sheridan, Ill., having attained the rank of Technical Sergeant and was awarded the following decorations and citations: the Victory Medal, the American Theater Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Theater Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, four Overseas Bars and one Service Stripe.

Returning to civilian life, Meldrum was employed as maintenance/engineering by the Southgate School System, and on Jan. 21, 1947, he married Iline Martha Passino in Detroit. After retirement in the 1970's, he moved to Cheboygan, and following the death of his wife in 1998, Meldrum remarried on Aug. 24, 2002, to Janet Rae (Munson) Smith and made his home in Boyne City. Meldrum enjoyed working with stained glass, painting pictures, playing the organ, building furniture, fishing and spending quality time with family and friends.

On Dec. 6, 2006, Meldrum answered the final call and is being honored by his wife Janet and family.

To honor a veteran, call the program chairman at 231-588-6067, or on Saturdays call 231-582-7811 between 3 and 8 p.m. The ceremony may be witnessed on the first Thursday of each month in front of the American Legion Post located on the corner of Lake and Main in Boyne City at 6:15 p.m.

NEIGHBORS



By Nancy Northup

The Fraternal Order of Eagles #1583 will celebrate their 100th anniversary in May. They are looking for photos of the club's members and activities of the past that they can copy. Memorabilia they can borrow to display, even old stories about days gone by at the Eagles, would greatly be appreciated. Please call Joni Zucchiatti at 231-582-9368 if you have any of the above to offer or for further information,

Accolades go out to Lisa Luebke of Boyne City. This past week, she donated 7 1/2 inches of her beautiful hair to the Locks of Love program. This makes the third time she has done so. Way to go, Lisa.

James and Susan Rostar of Boyne City went down to Grand Rapids to attend the wedding of Sarah Brown and Jason Rostar. They were married in a ceremony on Jan. 26, at the 63rd District Court in Cascade, Mich. Reception was held at Old Country Buffet on Alpine Ave, Walker, Mich. Present were Sarah's family including Carolyn (Kevin) Vallad and Robert Brown along with Sarah's brother's William, Adam and Cory.

Folks from the East Jordan Senior Center enjoyed an afternoon of music and dancing compliments of Roger Hartson, keyboard player, on Wednesday, Jan. 31. Roger will be returning on a regular basis and perform the fourth Wednesday of each month.

The Cousins will return on a monthly basis, with dates announced prior to each performance. They will entertain for the Feb. 25 Sunday dinner at East Jordan. Gail Williams will sing the first Friday of each month, as well as entertain for the seniors on Valentines Day, Wednesday, Feb. 14. Lunch will be served at noon, with a suggested donation of $2 for seniors over 60 years of age, and costing $4 for those under 60. For more information call Leigh.

Better late than never is that a few friends and relatives gathered to help Oral Sutliff celebrate the big 7-0 birthday on the 13th of January.

Houseguests for the weekend were Carol, John and Annie Sutliff of Ann Arbor.

He says "he might be getting older, but he's always game for a party."

Welcome to Rider Finn Peck, who was born on Jan. 31 at 7:36 a.m. He weighed 8 lbs, 10 oz, 19 3/4" long. Big brother is Jagger Reece. Proud parents are Travis and Amy (Seeley) Peck, grandparents are David and Karen Seeley and Larry and Bridget Peck. Great grandparents are Ardith Hawley, Eugene and Ruby Belford and Kay Peck, all of Boyne City.

It was "standing room only" in the Litzenburger Place Community Room on Wednesday night. Ray Detcher, head of Litzenburger Place maintenance, and his family were the guests at a potluck dinner, with Ray as the honoree of the evening. Ray is now officially retired after 25 years, and though he will be greatly missed, not only for his work but also for his caring kindnesses and friendship, all were happy for him. Resident Council President Bonnie Hiller presented him with a money gift from residents and the council, a beautiful card, and a folder of personal letters of farewell from many of the residents. Chili, potato soup and many other of Ray's favorite foods and lots of laughs and picture taking were enjoyed. Ice cream and a specially decorated cake from Glen's, inscribed with "Happy Retirement" and including power tools in the frosting, wound up a great evening. On Monday, lone member of the maintenance crew, Brenda Thompson, welcomed Ray's replacements, Tom DeNike Jr. and Justin Kelts, as it's a big job with lots of responsibility.

It was great to get a call from former BCHS classmate and now an accomplished author, Suzanne Hale Butler, who now lives and writes out of her new home in Coldsprings, Texas. Among the highlights of her call was big news about another former BCHS classmate of '59, Phillip Skornia, of Los Angeles, and about his being featured in a

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2ND MARKING PERIOD

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"A-B" Honor Roll

Aaron Barkley, Nigel Bell, Corey Bohnet, Alexander Branim, Austin Brooks, Richard Carpenter, Ryan Carson, Elizabeth Chipman, Paul Esch-Laurent, Erin Fortune, Mitchell Gasco, Laura Hammond, Dallas Hanselman, Tabbetha Harbaum, Margaret Hayden, Kylie Hicks, Preston Hughey, Samantha Knebl, Ronald LaDere, Logan McGeorge, Logan Orban, Kaycie Overmyer, Lucas Patrick, Breanna Peddycord, Aubrey Rolston, Jennifer Selissen, Crysta Spivey, Benjamin Stokes, Austin Valler, Zachary Wandrie, Courtney Weldon, Claire Wellman, Kaylee Yates.

All "A" Honor Roll

Alexandra Culver, Emilee Evans, Bradley Fouchia, Brendan Heath, Landon Kartes, Wyatt Long, Cassidy Moody, Elizabeth OdDonnell, Travis Porter, Carl Rasch, Jill Solomon, Alexander Stutzman, Chantel Talboys, Jordan Wilmot, Rebeca Wiser.

6th Grade Citizenship

Cody Allen, Noah Aller, Quinn Ameel, Ashlee Beck, Kaley Belcher, Latiesha Bell, Jazmine Bennett, Sydney Bennett, Brittany Bentley, Walter Bryant, Jennifer Buchannon, Rose Burns, Brady Calo, Alexis Carrow, Devin Colbeck, Kaitlynne Crandell, Mackenzie Crego, Dakota Cupp, Aaron Danforth, Meagan Demoines, Andrew Deneau, Ashlee Deneau, William Dole, Alina Droll, Margaret Durbin, Cody Elzinga, Preslye Fortune, Luke Gallup, Austin Gardner, Todd Gillespie, Elizabeth Grice, Meredith Hague, Steven Halstead, Tyler Harbaum, Elliot Hausler, Waylon Henning, Alysa Hiar, Devin Hickerty, Abigail Hofweber, Jeffrey Howard, Tara Hufford, Jerrica Jackman, Kimberlee Johnson, Aleena Kline, Karlee Kroush, Zachary LaDere, Taylor Leazier, Keagan Leist, Stephanie Lewis, Emily Lindsay, Trevor Lorton, Noah Lounsbury, Camden MacKenzie, Lauren MacNaughton, Alan Manross, Danielle Matthew, Katelyn Meads, Andrew Moore, Dakota Mosley, Ashleyann Moyer, Nathan Moyer, Mary Myers, Eric Patrick, Mark Peters, Dalton Pickles, Austin Pike, Michelle Plante, Trey Reinhardt, Lauren Robert, Elizebeth Rosencrants, Bram Schroeder, Jessica Selissen, Chandler Shepherd, Charles Sieradski, McKenzie Skidmore, James Skop, Vanessa Skutt, Garret Smith, Derick Stark, Justin Sudderth, Andrew Sutton, Sally Swadling, Ahna Thorp, Zachary Tipton, Kayla Towne, Brittany VanAtta, Shelby Vousboukis, Shelby Webster, Kaitlyn Whitaker, Ruby Williams, Jared Willis.

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All "A"Honor Roll

Quinn Ameel, Sydney Bennett, Margaret Durbin, Cody Elzinga, Steven Halstead, Devin Hickerty, Keagan Leist, Emily Lindsay, Mary Myers, Eric Patrick, Austin Pike, Jared Willis.

7th Grade Citizenship

Ezekiel Beek, Benjamin Belcher, Norman Berge, Rachel Butler, Allison Cain, Jon Calo, Torri Cheadle, Hailey Cooper, Erika Danforth, Justin Dowty, Renae Elzinga, Shayla Fortune, Chase Griffin, Parker Harbaugh, Alexandra Harding, Shawn Hardy, Katelynn Herrmann, Katelyn Hicks, Kylee Hoaglund, Seth Hoaglund, Ketrin Hocquard, Lacey Hofweber, Lexis Hornbeck, Kerri Houck, Logan Jenkins, Hunter Johnson, Kayla Johnson, Weston Kartes, Collin Kruzel, Chelsea Kuzmik, Korshye Long, Jacob Looze, Keagan Looze, Kori Mathers, Miranda May, Angelique Meeker, Gerritt Moeke, Kelsey Moore, Allyson Pallagi, Taylor Patton, Halle Poole, Marissa Portera, Ian Pritchard, Billy Raveau, Jay Redman, Hannah Reinhardt, Tess Seelye, Ashley Sero, Cassidy Shankleton, Jaceb Smith, Sierra Smith, Monica Stokes, Colton Tinker, Collin Ulvund, Austin Weisler, Kyrsha Zimmerman.

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Ezekial Beek, Parker Harbaugh, Alexandra Harding, Shawn Hardy, Katelyn Hicks, Kayla Johnson, Marissa Portera, Tess Seelye, Cassidy Shankleton, Sierra Smith.

8th Grade Citizenship

Jalen Adams, Neil Anderson, Kaley Aown, Shala Archer, Cody Beebe, Kaitlyn Bohnet, Nicole Burwell, Lindsay Cook, Caleb Crouch, Tyler Crouterfield, Taylor Crum, Matthew Cupp, Susan David, Melissa Dougherty, Michael Evans, Abigail Fair, Dustin Field, Madison Fitzpatrick, Eric Forbes, Darren Gilland, Vanessa Gillespie, Harmon Grubbs, Thomas Harris, Alyssa Harvey, David Heick, Mitchell Heick, Cody Hodgins, Elizabeth Hofweber, Zachary Hosmer, Sarah Hufford, Gage Jankowski, Allyssa Kasper, Katharine Korthase, Breanne Leist, Travis Long, Joshua Lounsbury, Katelyn Lutterbach, Katherine MacKenzie, Gage McGuire, Joslyn Moore, Erica Moose, Amy Munk, Stephanie Munk, MacKenzie Norton, James OdBrien, Hanna Olsen, Robert Peddycord, Kaitlyn Plante, Tiffany Poirier, Gavin Porter, Taylor Reinhardt, Stephen Robert, Caleb Roberts, Thomas Roe, Shane Schmidt, Nolan Seelye, Rebekka Segraves, Meghan Senglaub, Ruben Shell, Kolbi Shumaker, Veronica Sisson, Amanda Spence, Gypsy Stanley, Jacob Stutzman, Megan Taylor, Luke Thorp, Alyssa Torres, Kaci Trixler, Charles VanHorn, Jasmine Vargo, Jessica Webster, Tyler Wellman, Andrea Westrick, Alexis Wilhelm, Bryan Wonski.

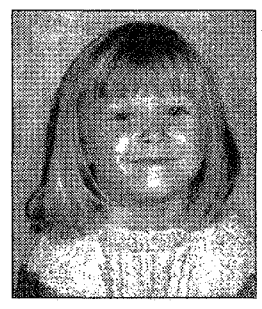
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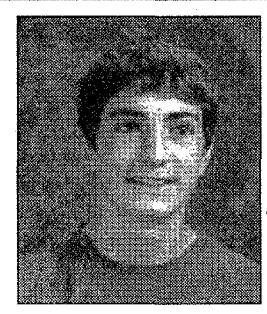
Jalen Adams, Kaley Aown, Kaitlyn Bohnet, Abigail Fair, Madison Fitzpatrick, Stephanie Munk, Hanna Olsen, Nolan Seelye, Bryan Wonski.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Boyne Falls Public School

NAME: Sydney Bess
PARENTS: Brian and Dawn Bess
GRADE: Kindergarten
FAVORITE CLASS: Reading
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Swimming
FAVORITE SPORT: Soccer
FAVORITE COLOR: Blue
FAVORITE FOOD: Watermelon
FAVORITE BOOK: Cat in the Hat
FAVORITE MOVIE: Cars
FAVORITE TV SHOW: Scooby - Doo
STAFF COMMENTS: "Sydney has been a wonderful member of our classroom since day one. She is very respectful and courteous to everyone. She gives 110 percent to everything she does. Sydney has been a great friend to everyone and a fantastic helper for me. Everyone can learn from Sydney's big heart and kind acts." Mrs. Collins



EJ High School

NAME: Andrew Boyer
PARENTS: James and Diane Boyer
GRADE: 10th
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Golf, Quiz Bowl, Spring Musical
FAVORITE CLASS(ES): US History and English
FUTURE PLANS: Work in alternative energy or meteorology
STAFF COMMENTS: "Andrew has been doing an excellent job in English class.

His recent research project was professional in terms of both knowledge and presentation. I appreciate Andrew's comments during class discussions." Mrs. McPherson

"I have Andrew in my honors chemistry class. Andrew is always attentive and is willing to add to class discussions with great insights and questions." Mrs. Moeke

"Andrew is a very polite, hard working young man. A great student to have in class." Mr. Nicholson

"Andrew amazes me with his knowledge of current events and interpretations of them. He is positive and energetic." Mrs. Zell

"What most impresses me about Andrew is his curiosity and desire to understand what we are studying. That makes him a joy to have in class and a model of a true student for all of us." Mr. Essenberg



EJ Middle School

NAME: Crystal Clavier
PARENTS: David and Lisa Clavier
GRADE 6th
FAVORITE CLASS: Science
FAVORITE ACTIVITIES: Horseback riding, babysitting dogs.
STAFF COMMENTS: "Crystal is a wonderful young lady who invariably comes to class with a very positive attitude, ready to learn and add her own unique sense of humor. She consistantly turns in high quality work and is very well liked by her peers. Way to go Crystal."



BC High School

NAME: Meghan Cytacki
PARENTS: Wes and Jean Cytacki
GRADE: 9th
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Girls Tennis Team and Ski Team
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Reading, skiing, swimming, taking walks, shopping, watching movies, jet skiing, boating, cooking and hanging out with my friends.
FUTURE PLANS: After high school I plan on attending at least a 4-year college to get a degree in either law, psychology, or gerontology.
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: I am very happy to be a student of the week and feel honored that I was chosen.
STAFF COMMENTS: "Meghan is a pleasure to have in physical, Earth, and Science Class. She has good study habits and works hard to attain a high level of understanding. Meghan is motivated to learn and responsible when it comes to doing her homework. All her assignments are of the highest quality as she has a great work ethic. Meghan is a person of character, she is polite, respectful, responsible, and always puts forth a great deal of effort. I have truly enjoyed having her in class this year as she is a delight to be around. Meghan exemplifies what a 'student of the week' should be. Congratulations Meghan." Elizabeth Hemming, Science Teacher.

STUDENT NEWS

PETOSKEY — North Central Michigan College awarded degrees and certificates to the following students upon completion of the Fall 2006 semester.

Boyne City: **Lydia Cosier,** Associate of General Studies; **Wilbur James Espey,** Associate of General Studies; **Elaine Garcia Failing**, Certificate, Medical Office Assistant; **Susan Marie Folks**, Associate of General Studies; **Ronald Dwight Hancock**, Associate of Arts; **Laurie Page Leaman**, Associate of Applied Science, Accounting.

Boyne Falls: **Jessica Susan Hass**, Associate of General Studies.

East Jordan: **Michael Joseph Anderson**, Associate of Arts; **Sheridan Lorene Drake**, Certificate, Medical Transcription; **Heidi Lynn Drenth**, Certificate, Medical Transcription; **Christine Ann Knight**, Associate of General Studies; **Lana Kay Oliver,** Associate of Arts; **Joseph James Sievertson,** Associate of General Studies.

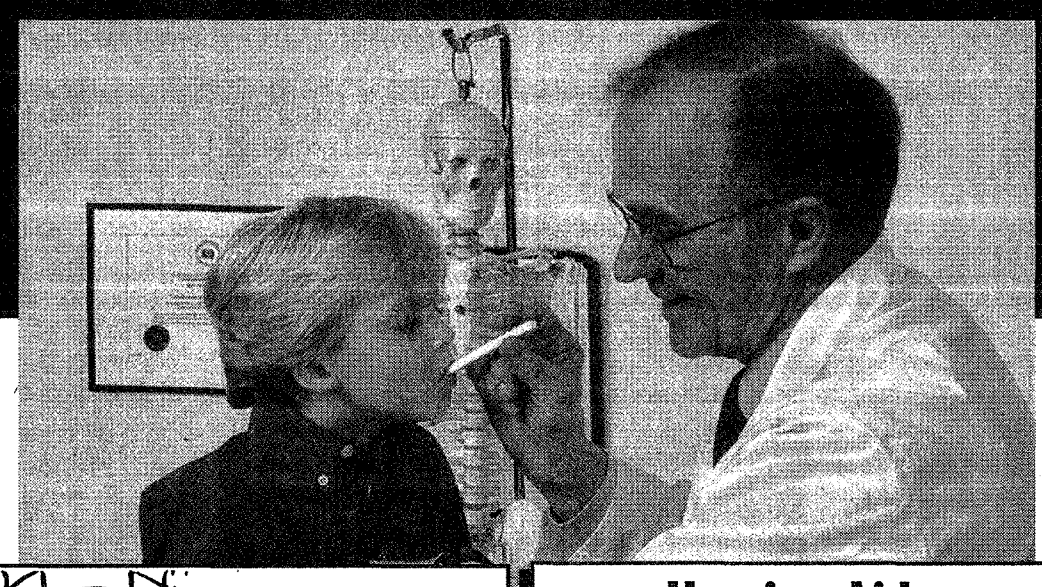
Walloon Lake: **Jillian Rae Vratanina**, Associate of Arts.

LIVONIA — **Janine Sandra Busz** of Boyne Falls has earned a spot on the fall 2006 semester Dean's List at Schoolcraft College.

MOUNT PLEASANT — Central Michigan University's fall semester honors list includes **Stephanie K. Dzwik, Sarah E. Ferree, Kara E. Nichols, Sheryl L. Sturza**, and **Bobbie J. Zavesky** of Boyne City; **Trevor A. Matelski** of Boyne Falls; **Reece A. Bartlett, Kimberly N. Beauvais, Michelle C. Britt, Meghan A. Dovick, Michael D. Mazzella,** and **Bethany N. Wilson** of East Jordan; and **Erin Green** and **Leonard S. Hershberger** of Walloon Lake.

Students must earn 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale) and higher grade point averages to be listed on the honors list.

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OBITUARIES

William Taylor Jr

William R. Taylor Jr., 82, of East Jordan, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 2007, at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 11 a.m. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Rev. Robert H. Carter will officiate.

He was born on Dec. 1, 1924, in Detroit, the son of William R. Sr. and Lena (Binkle) Taylor. He graduated from Grosse Pointe Farms High School in 1943.

He then enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps for the duration of World War II. William later graduated with a B.S. in Engineering from the University of Denver in 1950.

On March 5, 1955, in Detroit, he married Glenda Maxwell. William had worked as an engineer in the automobile industry and retired in 1987. They made their home in East Jordan in 2002. He was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in East Jordan.

William had a passion for golfing. He was very active with the various golf leagues at the Mallard Golf Club in East Jordan, and he achieved his golfing dream in 1987 in Lansing with his first and only hole in one. He also enjoyed woodworking, wine and beer making. Most of all, he loved his family and his family profoundly knew it. He was a great husband, dad, grandpa, and gentleman.

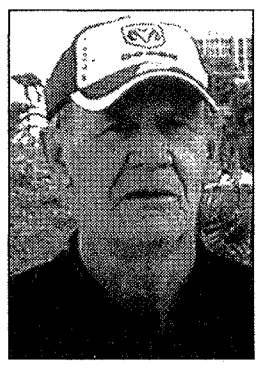
He is survived by his wife, Glenda Taylor, of East Jordan; four daughters, Pat (Jamie) Timmons, of Jackson, Beth Taylor, of Dearborn Heights, Judy Taylor, of Belding and Chris (David) White, of Linden; five grandchildren; one sister, Virginia (Gordon) Smith, of Littleton, Col.; and one brother, Richard Taylor, of Jacksonville, Fla.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Evangelical Lutheran Church, 7855 Rogers Road, East Jordan, Mich., 49727, or the National Kidney Foundation, Inc., 30 East 33rd Street, New York, N.Y. 10016.

Robert Florenski

Robert Stanley Florenski, 71, departed this life Thursday, Feb. 1, 2007, at the Christian Healthcare South, under regional hospice care, in Lebanon, Miss.

He was born the oldest of nine children, on Aug. 6, 1935, in Boyne City, and after graduating from high school, he joined the United States Air Force and served our country for twenty years. He married Mary Modena McCullough of Brownwood, Tex., and was married for twenty years and had two children.



After the Air Force, Robert returned to the family farm in Boyne Falls, Mich. He worked the farm for many years and worked at Boyne Mountain as a chairlift operator. Later in years, Robert started going south for the winters and enjoyed his stays in Texas and Arizona. He loved to hike, bicycle, fish, and enjoyed the outdoor life on the farm. He was also very fond of polka music and liked going to Polish festivals around the state. In 2005, he developed an illness of dementia and went to live with his daughter and family in Lebanon, Miss. On Jan. 13, Robert suffered a very severe intracerebral bleed and stroke that led to his death.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Stanley and Francis Florenski, of Boyne Falls, Mich.

Robert is survived by his two children, Karen Mary Phipps, and her husband, Danny, of Stoutland, Miss., and Robert Steven Florenski, of Springfield, Miss.; three grandchildren, Brock Chaffin, Brett Chaffin, and Daniel Florenski; four brothers, Ralph Florenski, of Indian River, Ron Florenski, of Alba, Richard Florenski, of Gaylord, and Rudy Florenski, of Boyne City; four sisters, Patty Jarema, of Boyne Falls, Bonnie Sparks, of Elmira, Mary Florenski, and Susan Florenski, both of Boyne City; a number of nieces and nephews; and many other relatives and friends.

Graveside services with military honors will be held at the Boyne Falls Cemetery later this spring. In lieu of flowers, the family has established a memorial to the Boyne Falls Cemetery, and contributions may be mailed to P.O. Box 191, Boyne Falls, Mich. 49713.

Robert's family and friends will miss him greatly.

Ralph Mapes

Ralph E. Mapes, 79, of Charlevoix, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2007, at his home.

The funeral was held Friday, Feb. 2, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. The Reverend David Behling officiated, and burial will take place in the spring at the Undine Cemetery in Hayes Twp.

Ralph was born July 15, 1927, in Boyne City, the son of Burley and Emma (Coblentz) Mapes. During WWII, Ralph served in Japan as a corporal in the U.S. Army. He married Luella DeJonge on Oct. 15, 1966, in Boyne City. In 1989, Ralph retired from the McLaughlin Company in Petoskey. He enjoyed reading and woodworking, and loved gardening.

Ralph is survived by his wife, Luella of Charlevoix; children, Mike (Mary) Mapes of Boyne City, Joyce (Andy) Rowbotham of Charlevoix, Karen McCary of Boyne Falls, Rick (Cheryl) Mapes of Cadillac; grandchildren, Mark (Becky) Rowbotham, Julie Rowbotham, Brian Mapes, Jason McCary, Shawn Kilmer, Logan Patrick; great-grandchildren, Debbie, Katie and Angie Rowbotham, Matthew and Zach Szafranski; brother, Gerald (Charlotte) Mapes of Boyne City; sisters, Betty Speigl of Boyne City, Geneva Reynolds of Lakewood, Calif.; brother-in-law, Walter Charon of Boyne City. Ralph's son Robert, brothers Richard and Racil, and sister, Helen Charon, preceded him in death.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Northern Michigan Hospital Foundation General Cancer Fund, 360 Connable, Petoskey, Mich., 49770.

Paul McKernan

Paul M. McKernan, 21, of East Jordan, and formerly of Gaylord, died Thursday, Jan. 25, 2007, in Mississippi. Paul had been working to help rebuild after hurricane Katrina.

He was born in Gaylord on April 16, 1985, and was a 2003 graduate of East Jordan High School. Paul loved motorcycles, music and horses and will be remembered as a true and devoted friend.

He is survived by his mother, Kathleen (Mike Johnson) Wixon of Traverse City; brother and sister, Patrick and Katie Lynn McKernan, both of East Jordan; stepmother, Karen Rezenberger of East Jordan; aunts and uncles, Michael Wixon of Gaylord, Jeffrey (Donna) Wixon of Johannesburg, Charles, Thomas (Karen) and Robert (Noreen) Wixon all of Gaylord, Joseph Wixon of Lansing, Julie Wixon of Belding, Don (Lana) McKernan of Gaylord and Kelly (Dave) Henning of Charlevoix; and several cousins.

His father, David McKernan preceded him in death in 2005.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Feb. 2, at the Nelson Funeral Home, Pastor Philip Douglass officiated. Burial will take place in the spring at Hallock Cemetery in Elmira Twp.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family through the Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord Mich., 49734.

SENIOR MENU

BOYNE CITY — The Boyne Area Senior Center has daily activities and lunch at noon. The center is located at 411 E. Division St. in Boyne City. The menu for Wednesday, Feb. 7, is chicken and gravy and baked squash. Line dancing will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 8, is soup, salad and sandwich day. To start the day, Sit and Be Fit will begin at 10:30 a.m. A special speaker from the Humane Society will also be present. Bingo will follow lunch.

Friday, Feb. 9, stuffed peppers will be served with mashed potatoes. Before lunch, cheerleaders from the Boyne City Schools will be performing from 10 to 11 a.m.

Monday, Feb. 12, lemon pepper cod is on the menu. Monday is always bingo day following lunch.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, chicken ala king is planned. The second Tuesday is birthday day at the senior center. If you have a February birthday see Terri when you arrive. A Fire and Safety Presentation will also be done on Tuesday. Stay for the movie following lunch.

Wednesday, Feb. 14, we are having a special lunch of roast beef and all the trimmings. Lunch will be served for this event from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Line dancing will begin at 10:30 a.m. From 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the Cousin's music group will provide entertainment. Suggested donation for lunch for seniors over 60 is $2. Under 60 is $4. The menu is subject to change. Also note: if the schools are closed the senior center is closed.

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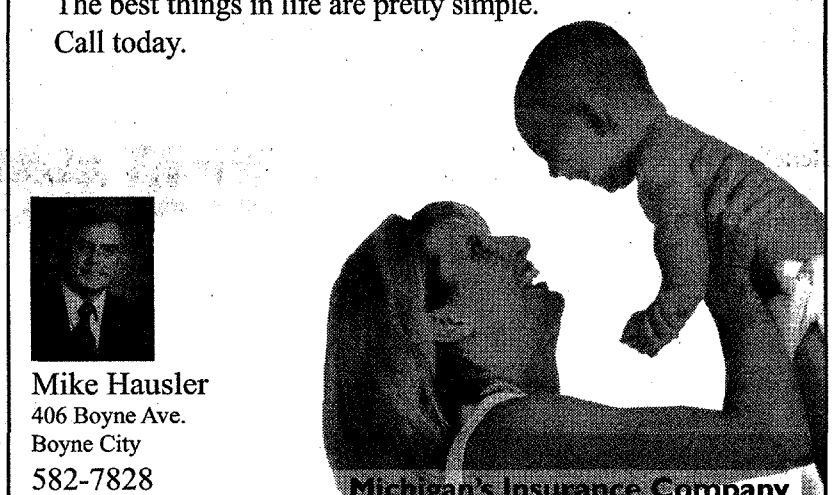
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The amount and cost of the informal caregiving being provided today to elder Americans is staggering. AARP and the National Alliance for Caregiving conducted a survey in 1996 that showed almost 6 million households were providing 20 to 40 or more hours a week of unpaid, informal assistance to older relatives. This included transportation, grocery shopping, household chores, helping with medications and preparing meals. This *same* care would have cost our nation $45 to $75 billion a year if these needs were met by hired home care staff. Furthermore, it is probably safe to assume these numbers have increased rather than decreased, today.

Unfortunately, according to the Family Caregiver Alliance, caregivers are less likely than noncaregivers to get enough sleep, eat healthy, exercise, stay in bed when sick or keep up with their own medical appointments.

If you are one of the generous individuals giving of your time, money and energy to care for an older relative, but find yourself pushing your needle past empty on a regular basis, consider the effects of your priorities. When caregivers neglect their own needs, the result is often two people in need of help, rather than just the one initial care recipient. If your motivation is to provide the very best care, remember that keeping yourself physically and emotionally strong is a responsible and loving choice. You are the conduit of care -- keep the lines in good shape.

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If you are a caregiver:

1. Care recipients often reflect the stress of their caregivers. *Caring for the Caregiver,* a publication sponsored by Parke-Davis, suggests organizing routine respite into your schedule. This will help you feel balanced and reduce stress overall, rather than waiting until you are overwhelmed, and creating a crisis for you and the person you are caring for.
2. Time you spend in meditation or prayer at your place of worship will help you remember why you have made the commitment to provide care, and how much of the result is out of your control. Your job is to be the best possible companion on the journey.
3. Exercise helps protect you from injury, especially when the care recipient needs physical help such as assistance transferring to and from a wheelchair.
4. The Family Caregiver Alliance suggests preparing a list of things that need doing. This makes it easier to delegate when someone offers help. By letting others help, you are providing a web of support rather than a single lifeline.
5. Joining a support group to vent feelings can also connect you to information and resources about your care recipient's condition. This kind of information helps you anticipate certain needs and ask better questions of medical professionals.

For more information visit:
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SPORTS

COMPLETE COVERAGE OF THE

BOYNE CITY RAMBLERS, BOYNE FALLS LOGGERS AND THE EAST JORDAN RED DEVILS

Rams use fast start to defeat Ramblers

BY PHIL TROMBLEY
SPORTS WRITER

HARBOR SPRINGS — Harbor Springs took a 24-9 lead in the first eight minutes and withstood a second and third quarter push from the Ramblers to hold on for an 84-76 Lake Michigan Conference win over the Boyne City boys varsity basketball team on Friday, Feb. 2.

Boyne City (4-5 LMC) outscored Harbor Springs (5-4 LMC) 42-28 in the middle two periods, but the Rams out pointed the Ramblers 32-22 in the fourth quarter.

"We had a very disappointing first quarter in which they out played us, and to compound that, our shots in the paint weren't dropping," said Boyne City coach John Hertel.

The Ramblers responded to the early deficit by playing great team basketball, said Hertel.

"When we took the lead, I really thought we were going to end up getting this one, but they converted on a few more shots down the stretch and we were forced to foul them and they sealed the deal," he said.

Sean McCarthy (14 points) and Josh Graybiel (13 points) led the Harbor Springs scoring.

The Ramblers countered with a balanced scoring effort paced by Robby Jensen (22 points), Taylor Voice (21 points), Jeff Moore (15 points) and Dan Remsberg (eight points).

Voice also contributed five assists and five steals, while Cody Mittig chipped in with eight rebounds and four assists. Moore added five rebounds and Remsberg had four boards.

"I think our players learned from this game and despite the loss, I think we might have learned some important things about ourselves as a team," said Hertel.

Boyne City 57, Grayling 45

The Ramblers took a 29-19 lead after one half and outscored the Vikings 28-26 in the second to secure a 57-45 conference win in a make up game against Grayling in Boyne City on Monday, Jan. 29.

"We came out and played with a lot of energy in this game and it was good to get back in front of the home crowd," said Hertel.

"I wasn't sure how we were going to come out on a Monday night after a snow out on Friday and after we hadn't played a game in ten days," Hertel

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Kalkaska Blazers top Red Devils

BY PHIL TROMBLEY
SPORTS WRITER

KALKASKA — Kalkaska went on a 15-2 run at the start of the third quarter to break away from a 17-17 tie at half time enroute to handing the East Jordan boys jayvee basketball team a 55-50 Lake Michigan Conference loss on Friday, Feb. 2.

The Red Devils were able to cut the lead down to three points in the fourth quarter, but in the Blazers held on to capture the home win.

John Kasza led Kalkaska with ten points and teammate Chris Keller chipped in with nine, while East Jordan was led by Jeff Keyser with 18 points and Adam Daneff with 15 points.

"Adam got into early foul trouble and that really hurt us. We're not real deep in our bench," said East Jordan coach Darrin Weber.

Blazers stop East Jordan jayvee

Kalkaska took a 29-24 lead at the half and tacked on 31 points in the second half to defeat the East Jordan jayvee team 60-43.

Marshall Page tossed in 17 points, Beau Fuller chipped in with eight points and 12 rebounds and Michael Hines added eight points and eight rebounds to lead the Red Devil effort.

"Early turnovers and foul trouble hurt us," said East Jordan coach Ken Doty.

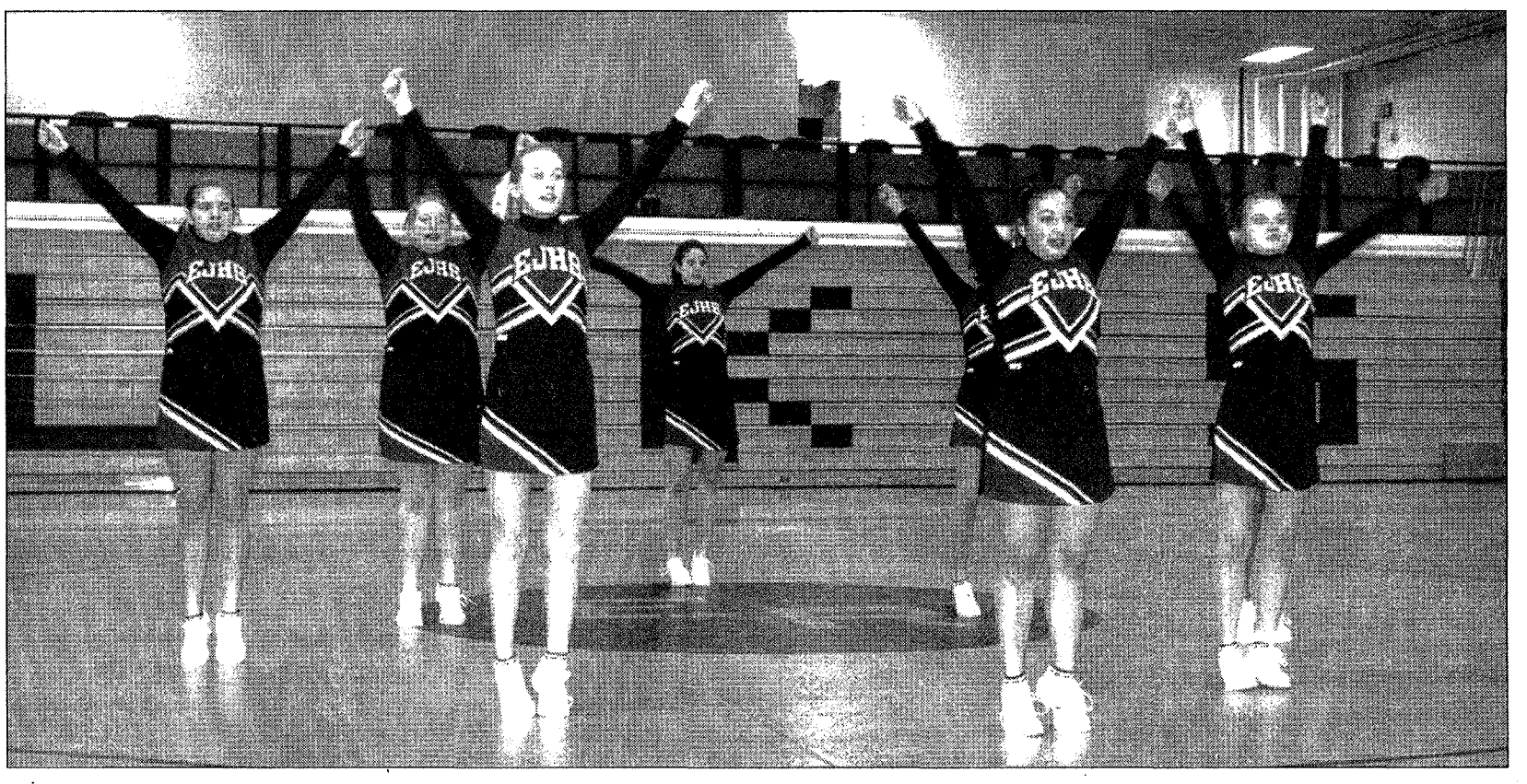
East Jordan 75, Glen Lake 62

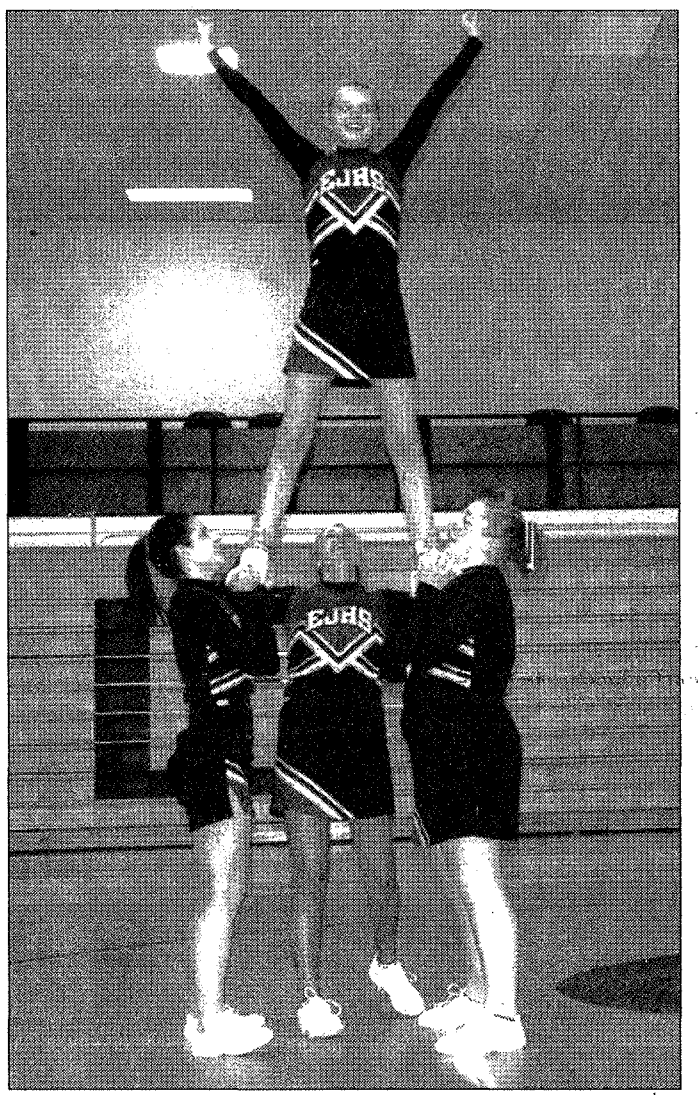
Keyser tossed in 28 points, including 14 of 15 free throws in the fourth quarter alone, to lead the Red Devils to a 75-62 non-conference victory over Glen Lake on Tuesday, Jan. 30.

Daneff added 18 points, Scott Hansen chipped in with 16 points and Keyser had eight assists to add to the Red Devil stat sheet.

"We shot the ball well. They made two runs at us, cutting our lead down to six in the first half and

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Cheerleaders from East Jordan High School perform during round one of a competition held in Elk Rapids Jan. 31. The team placed fourth at the competition.

Photos by Megan Taylor

East Jordan cheerleaders perform a stunt in round three of a competition held in Elk Rapids Jan. 31. The team placed fourth at the competition.

EJ cheerleaders nab fourth at LMC

ELK RAPIDS –The Charlevoix cheer team tallied 451.3 points to take first place at the Lake Michigan Conference competitive cheer competition in Elk Rapids on Wednesday, Jan. 31.

Grayling (442.0) was runner up, while Kalkaska (427.8) finished third, East Jordan (369.1) was fourth and Elk Rapids (366.2) was fifth.

"We did some restructuring this week and we're still looking for our sweet spot," said East Jordan coach Mary Alice Ruhling. "We just rebuilt our portion for round three on Monday, the log roll, a new stunt we incorporated and it went better than it did in practice."

East Jordan put together round by round scores of 113.5, 93.6 and 162.0.

Lady Ramblers place second at Rogers City

BY PHIL TROMBLEY
SPORTS WRITER

ROGERS CITY — The Boyne City girls varsity volleyball team lost just two matches to eventual champion Harbor Light Christian on Saturday, Feb. 5, as the plLady Ramblers placed second at the nine team Rogers City Invitational.

The Lady Ramblers, who moved their overall record to 24-9-4, won two games and added a split in the pool play and captured two wins in the bracket round before falling in the finals.

In pool play Boyne City defeated Alpena (25-21, 26-24), lost to Harbor Light (1525, 21-25), split with Petoskey (25-16, 21-25) and defeated Sault Ste. Marie (25-23, 25-18).

In the bracket round Boyne City topped Inland Lakes (25-21, 25-17) and Rogers City (25-27, 25-19, 15-13) before losing to Harbor Light (19-25, 16-25) for the second time.

Lady Ramblers Jessica Nichols (96 percent serving, 49 digs, 47 kills) and Lindsay Baic (57 digs, 34 kills, eight blocks, 11 aces) were named to the all-tournament team.

Adding to the Boyne City numbers were: Lindsay Clemens (108 assists), Stacie Spaniak (95 percent serving, 38 digs), Amber Kotalik (22 kills, 11 blocks) and Trisha Tomkins (39 digs).

Boyne City will travel to East Jordan on Thursday, Feb. 8, and host Elk Rapids on Monday, Feb. 12.

Three Ramblers medal at wrestling conferences

BY PHIL TROMBLEY
SPORTS WRITER

TRAVERSE CITY — Three Boyne City wrestlers came home with medals on Saturday, Feb. 3, when the Boyne City varsity wrestling team traveled to Traverse City St. Francis for the Lake Michigan Conference championship tournament.

Steve Robinson placed second at 189 pounds to take a silver medal, while Drew Nohel (152 lbs.) and Marc Calo (160 lbs.) both placed third to earned bronze medals.

Grayling and Kalkaska dominated the team competition with five wrestlers from those two schools capturing first place medals. Grayling topped the team standings edging out Kalkaska 150-144.

Boyne City 31, Mancelona 30

Elk Rapids 42 Boyne City 33

The Ramblers gained a split in a double dual meet at Mancelona on Thursday, Jan. 31, when they defeated Mancelona 31-30 and lost to Elk Rapids 42-33.

The match up with Mancelona was tied with the two teams having 30 points each when the wrestling was completed, but the Ramblers were awarded the extra point on the fifth tie breaker criteria. The Ramblers got the winning point with the most takedowns.

Nohel wasted little time recording his takedown when he pinned his opponent just 22 seconds into his 145 pound match posting the fastest fall of the night.

The Ramblers also got wins from Avery Bennett (171, pin 1:14), Robinson (189, pin 1:26), Tom Fiel (215, pin 2:42) and Adam Brown (void).

Picking up wins in the Elk Rapids match were: Nohel (145, pin 3:21), Eric Scott (152, pin 4:49), Calo (160, pin 4:41), Bennett (171, 4-3 decision), Robinson (189, pin 2:17), Fiel (215, pin 2:17) and Jared Wilmot (152 exhibition, pin 3:10).

Boyne City will wrestle at the team districts in Onaway on Wednesday, Feb. 14, and at the individual districts in Rogers City on Saturday, Feb. 17.

East Jordan nets third place finish at Grayling

BY PHIL TROMBLEY
SPORTS WRITER

GRAYLING — The East Jordan girls varsity volleyball team put together seven win against four losses to earn a third place finish at the eight team Grayling Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 3.

"Overall we played really well as a team. When times got tough, we still stepped forward," said East Jordan coach Jackie Haley.

The Lady Ramblers took second in their pool with a win over Central Lake and a pair of splits with Harbor Springs and Roscommon. East Jordan lost to Kalkaska in the semi final game before ending with a victory over Grayling in the consolation match.

Jessica Roberts led the East Jordan stats with 48 points, 48 assists and five kills. Cassy Crick contributed with 27 points, ten digs and nine kills; while Jill Drenth chipped in with 25 points and 24 kills. Treasure Timmons added nine kills, seven digs and five blocks and Kayla Windish had seven digs, five kills and five blocks.

Harbor Springs 3, East Jordan 2

Harbor Springs bested East Jordan 15-7 in the fifth game to take a 22-25, 25-19, 11-25, 25-22, 15-7 Lake Michigan Conference victory over East Jordan on Thursday, Feb. 1.

Drenth and Crick led the Lady Devils with 19 points each, while Roberts chipped in with 30 assists. Drenth also added six kills and Crick added seven kills and seven digs. Sarah Kupovizt had eight kills and Paige Fuller had 19 assists.

The East Jordan junior varsity defeated Harbor Springs 25-15, 25-21, 15-6.

East Jordan will host Boyne City on Thursday, Feb. 8, and travel to Charlevoix on Monday, Feb. 12.

HAPPENINGS

Foundation beneficiary of dinner

Chef John Norman of the City Park Grill in Petoskey is staging a six course wine tasting dinner to benefit Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation. For just $100 per person ($60 tax deductible), guests will be treated to some of the chef;s finest fare. The menu includes grilled curry chicken sate tostada, southwest beef carpacczo roll, mixed green salad, grilled crawfish salmon roulade, red wine herb roasted beef tenderloin and white chocolate fudge brownie. Each course will feature complimenting wines provided by Bayside Beverage Company.

Dinner begins at 6:45 p.m. sharp on Feb. 9 and tickets are available by calling 231-547-8685.

Volunteers are needed

The East Jordan Freedom Festival is looking for enthusiastic people who would like to be part of this year's festival, June 21-24. Call 231-350-0760 for information

Teen movie nights

Area teens are invited to Teen Movie Night at Boyne District Library Feb.

10, from 6 to 8 p.m. The movie is War of the Worlds. Nachos and soda will be provided. Girls' un-Valentine movie, "Groundhog Day," will be shown on Feb. 17, at 6 p.m. Grades 6-12 are invited. Hot chocolate and hand-dipped chocolates will be served.

Valentines dance planned

Boyne Valley Fire and Rescue Auxiliary will hold their annual Valentines dance Feb. 10, from 7 p.m. to midnight, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Boyne City. There will be two bands, Northern Nites and Rawhide, appetizers, door prizes, and a cash bar. Tickets are available in advance for $10 for couples, $6 for singles; and at the door, $12 for couples and $7 for singles.

Contact Barb at 231-549-1022,or Sarah at 231-549-2422.

Peace House to feature performers

The next Peace Coffee House will be Feb. 10, at 8 p.m.,at the Jordan River Art Center, on the third block of Main Street in East Jordan. The performers are Kirby, and Ann and Will Rowland Share your talents at open stage, immediately following the scheduled performers. No need to be shy — you're in good company.

Admission is $7 and refreshments are complimentary.

Charlotte's Web on stage

The Boyne City Performing Arts Center presents the Central Michigan University Theatre Department's production of "Charlotte's Web," by E.B.

White, adapted by Joseph Robinette, and directed by Nancy Eddy.

The performance is Sunday, Feb. 11, at 2 p.m. Tickets are general admission and only $5, and can be purchased at Boyne Country Books, the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce and at the door. For information contact the Boyne Area Chamber at 231-582-6222.

Cherry recipe contest seeks entrants

Friske's Farm Market announces their fourth annual cherry recipe contest. The recipe categories are soups, and cakes or tortes. Anyone may enter, except professional chefs, Friske employees and their families. Entries must be in by Monday, Feb. 12. Six finalists will be named in each category, and final judging will take place on Saturday, Feb. 24 at 10:30 a.m., at Friske's Farm Market, 10 miles south of Charlevoix, on U.S. 31. Registration forms are available for request at Friske's Farm Market, by calling 231-599-2604, or on line at info@friske.com.

Artist's gathering at JRAC

Beginning Thursday, Feb. 8, at 6:30 p.m., and continuing every other Thursday evening at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main St. artists will meet and work together. This painting session is open to all artists and any media, as with the summer's "Painter's Gathering" group. This is not a workshop and there is no fee. Membership is encouraged. A still life will be provided Feb. 8. This is an organizational meeting and a work session. The group will decide during this, session the workings and procedure for the following meetings. Anyone interested or for more information can call Jane Diller, 231-582-6399 or Pat Tinney, 231-536 3447.

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The Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District Adult Education Programi is enrolling adults at the Michigan Works! Learning Labs who would like to finish their high school diploma, prepare for the GED, improve basic job skills or learn basic computer and keyboarding skills. Instruction is free of charge. Labs are located in Cadillac, Kalkaska, East Jordan, Petoskey, Traverse City and Manistee. For information call 1-800-442 1074.

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Boyne District Library offers a science program to home-schooled children to be held in the community room at the library on Mondays beginning Feb. 5, at 2 p.m. Participate in various science experiments, fill out reading logs for prizes, and participate in a science fair to be displayed at the library.

For information, call CharLynn Dole at 231-582-7861.

Story time at Boyne library

Boyne District Library offers story time to children ages 3 to 5, Tuesdays, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Area pre-schoolers are invited to the library to hear stories, do a craft, and take home coloring pages and worksheets.

Veterans wanted for national project

Northwestern Michigan College history instructor Jim Press plans to again conduct interviews with veterans for the Library of Congress' Veterans History Project and is seeking up to 15 veterans or civilians who worked in the war effort for this semester's students. Veterans can be from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, the current war in Iraq/Afghanistan, or the Cold War. Names, phone numbers and street addresses/e-mail addresses of interested veterans may be sent to him at jpress@nmc.edu, or call 231-995-1327. For more information on the project or to read and hear samples, go to www.loc.gov/vets.

Blood drive Feb. 26

There will be an American Red Cross blood drive on Feb. 26, from noon to 5:45 p.m., at Christ Lutheran Church, 1052 E. Division in Boyne City. Blood donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good general health. For information on a blood drive in any of the 65 counties served by the Great Lakes Region, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE or visit www.givelife.org.

Ice skating rink now open

The Avalanche ice skating rink will be open starting Friday, Jan. 19.

Weather permitting, our regular hours of operation for the warming house are as follows: Monday thru Friday from 4 to 9 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. For information, call City Hall at 231-582 6597, the warming house at 231-582-3641, or the city's after-hours general information line at 231-582-0333.

Free dinner planned

The Boyne City United Methodist Church will hold a free dinner on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 5;30 p.m., followed by activities for children. Everyone is welcome. Come with friends, come with family, bring your neighbors and please bring your children. The church is located at 324 South Park Street in Boyne City.

Recovery group meets locally

Troubled by panic attacks, temper, fears, helpless or hopeless feelings? Try Recovery, Inc. We meet to help ourselves and each other Tuesdays, at 7 p.m., at Christ Lutheran Church, 1250 Boyne Avenue, Boyne City, and Thursdays, at 7 p.m., at the Pregnancy Resource center, 418 Waukazoo, Petoskey. For information call 231-582-2699 or 231-347-6474.

Winter 2007 class registrations ongoing

Crooked Tree Arts Center is registering for their winter 2007 classes.

Classes range from culinary arts, music, dance, visual arts and more.

Returning is the popular cooking series held every Tuesday night from 6 to 8 p.m. during February and March. Ukrainian Egg Decorating, jewelry, painting, ceramics and birthday parties are being offered as well. Call the center at 231-347-4337 for information or register on line at: www.crookedtree.org.

Neighbors

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six-page article in the March issue of Black Belt Magazine. The article includes many pictures as well as embellishes the accomplishments in the life of Phillip, a former president of International Karate Association.

I'd heard it said this past week that it was colder in Boyne City than it was in Alaska. Then I received this interesting note from Nancy Steuer, former Boyne/ East Jordan resident that sort of confirms it, and I quote, "Here it is warming up and we are getting more daylight every day. Moose are plentiful along the highways due to deep snow in the low mountain area.

March is fast approaching; the first Saturday of March is the start of the Iditarod Sled Dog Race in Anchorage on the way to Nome. I'm off for another adventure in my life. Going to volunteer to help with the security in Anchorage for the start, at the re-start and them am going to Nome to be there to see the first musher come across the finish line and do some volunteer. Will try and send some pictures from the various areas. Plus I thought I'd send the web cam addresses so if anyone is interested they can check out the different areas in Alaska. "

The BCHS Class of 1977 needs your help tracking the classmates from this graduating class. Lisa (Waldner) Alexander is organizing the class reunion with Jeff Lindsay. If anyone reads this notice please contact Lisa and let her know your mailing address and e-mail address so she can send you an invitation to the 30th class reunion for the class of 1977 event. The past 30 years have flown by so quickly and a class reunion is a great time to visit and catch up with fellow classmates and friends. Lisa can be reached at macalistersmom@hotmail.com.

Items of interest for the Neighbors Column may be called into Nancy's home phone, 231-582-9174, or e-mailed to neighbors@ gtlakes.com, before the noon deadline on Friday

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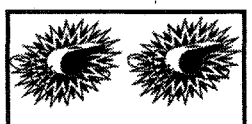
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix at 11:00 AM, on March 2, 2007.

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Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: A Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West, Commencing at a point 16 feet South and 180 feet West of the Southeast Corner of Lot 6, Block 3 of Bowen's Addition to the Village of South Lake (now the City of East Jordan); thence West 60 feet; thence South 196 feet to the East Jordan and Boyne Falls State Road; thence Southeast along said Road 61 feet; thence North to the place of beginning, being situated in the city of East Jordan, County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan

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Said premises are situated in Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 100, Springbrook Hills No. 2, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 271, 272, and 273, Charlevoix County records.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix at 11:00 AM, on February 23, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing 183 feet West and 30 feet South of the North 1/8 post on the East line of Section 26, thence South 120 feet, thence West 50 feet, thence North 120 feet, thence East 50 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4, of the Northeast 1/4, Section 26, Town 32 North, Range 7 West.

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Dated: January 24, 2007

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Said premises are situated in Village of Boyne Falls, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 3, Block 3, Gager's Addition to Boyne Falls, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 19, Charlevoix County Records

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Dated: February 7, 2007

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Said premises are situated in Township of Hudson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: PARCEL B: Beginning at a 1/2 inch rod at the North 1/4 corner of section 17, Town 32 North, Range 4 West; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 27 seconds East 21.02 feet along the North line of said section, and along the centerline of Camp Ten Road; thence South 1 degree 09 minutes 44 seconds East 49.69 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the South line of said road; thence continuing South 1 degree 09 minutes 44 seconds East 1261.65 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the North 1/8 line of said section, as monumented, thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 11 seconds West 21.34 feet along said 1/8 line to a T-Iron stake on the North and South 1/4 line of said section, as monumented; thence continuing along said 1/8 line North 89 degrees 53 minutes 58 seconds West 643.92 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence North 1 degree 09 minutes 44 seconds West 1257.52 feet to a 1/2 inch rod on the South road line; thence continuing North 1 degree 09 minutes 44 seconds West 49.51 feet to said section line; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 07 seconds East 644.15 feet along said section line and along said centerline to the point of beginning; being a part of the North 1/2 of section 17, Town 32 North, Range 4 West

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Dated: January 31, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Thomas E. Hodgkinson, Jr. and Donna Hodgkinson, Husband and Wife to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated May 5, 2004, and recorded on May 17, 2004, in Liber 614, Page 438, Charlevoix County Records. Said mortgage was corrected with an Affidavit of Scrivener's Error which was submitted to and recorded by the Charlevoix County Register of Deeds. The said mortgage was assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of Ameriquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series 2004-R7, under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of July 1, 2004, without recourse, by an Assignment of Mortgage which was submitted to the Charlevoix County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty One Thousand Nine Hundred Six Dollars and 72/100 ($81,906.72) including interest at the rate of 9.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Michigan at 11:00 AM on March 2, 2007.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Marion, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:
Commencing at a point of intersection of the North 1/8 line of Section 13 with the West section line of Section 13,Township 33 North, Range 8 West; thence North along said West line of said Section 300.0 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing North along the West line of said section 300.0 feet; thence East, parallel with the North 1/8 line of Section 13 to the West 1/8 line of Section 13; thence South along said West 1/8th line 300.0 feet; thence West parallel with the North 1/8 line of said Section to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4, Section 13, Township 33 North, Range 8 West.

3834 Pops Road

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 31, 2007

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Assignee
43252 Woodward Ave.,
Suite 202
Bloomfield Hills, MI
48302
(248) 335-9200
Our File No. 141.00255

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE ON FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Patrick W. McDonough, a single man, to Charlevoix State Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, dated July 31, 2001, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Charlevoix, Michigan on August 6, 2001, in Liber 430, Pages 220 through 228 of Charlevoix County Records. As of the date of this Notice, there is claimed to be due on said Mortgage for principal, interest and late charges the sum of $74,782.86 and no proceedings at law are pending to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, or so much thereof as may be necessary, at a public auction to the highest bidder in the lobby of the County Building in the City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Friday, March 16, 2007 at 11:00 o'clock a.m. of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage, together with interest which will accrue thereon at the rate of eight and one quarter (8.25%) percent per annum, fees and costs, attorney fees as provided by law and any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee, Charlevoix State Bank, does pay on or prior to the date of said sale, said premises being situated in the Township of St. James, Charlevoix County, Michigan, described as:

Lots 30, 31 and 32 of Block "B" Frazer, Yerkes and Clayton's Subdivision of Lots 1 and 2 in Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 10 West, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The redemption period, as made and provided by statute, is six (6) months from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 7, 2007

BARRON & ENGSTROM, P.L.C.

By: Daniel B. Barron
(P35659)
Attorneys for
Charlevoix State Bank
P.O. Box 309
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231) 547-9950

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: January 24, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 231.5370

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No.: 07-011064-DE

Estate of
Rebecca Lyn Schroeder,
deceased
Date of birth:
10/24/56

TO ALL CREDITORS:* NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent Rebecca Lyn Schroeder, who lived at 03962 Camp Ten Rd., Elmira, Michigan died June 13, 2006.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Faron G. Schroeder, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: January 29, 2007

Faron G. Schroeder
03962 Camp Ten Rd.
Elmira, MI 49730
(231) 549-3016

Kevin G. Klevorn
215 South Lake Street
Boyne City, MI 49712
(231) 582-7911

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND INTERESTED PERSONS Decedent's Estate

State of Michigan Probate Court Charlevoix County

File No.: 07-022067-DE

Estate of
James Burlington
Trowbridge
Date of Birth:
12/26/1922

TO ALL CREDITORS AND INTERESTED PERSONS:

ON January 29, 2007, the undersigned were appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above captioned estate and is serving without bond.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND INTERESTED PERSONS: The decedent, James Burlington Trowbridge, who lived at 297 M-66 South, East Jordan, Michigan, died January 20, 2007.

Creditors and Interested Persons of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate, or interest in the matter, will be forever barred unless presented to Suzanne Essenberg & Michael Trowbridge, named co-personal representatives, or to both the probate court at 301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named co-personal representatives within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Suzanne Essenberg
9675 Circle Dr.
Ellsworth, MI 49729

Michael Trowbridge
2987 Edward Rd.
Alanson, MI 49706

Christopher T.
Turkelson, Esq.
1404 Bridge Street,
Ste. 101
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231) 547-1111

NOTICE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Default having been made in a condition of the mortgage made June 11, 2004, by 417 Boyne Avenue, LLC, a Michigan Limited Liability Company, as mortgagor, to Michelle Nowka, as mortgagee, and recorded on June 15, 2004, in the office of he register of deeds for Charlevoix County, Michigan, in liber 620, pages 332-334, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this notice $17,108.01 principal and $635.11 interest; no legal or equitable proceeding having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by the mortgage, and the power of sale in the mortgage contained having become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is now given that on March 9, 2007 at 11:00 a.m., at the Charlevoix County Courthouse, 301 State Street, Charlevoix Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on the mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale including attorney fee of $75.00 provided by law and in the mortgage, the lands and premises mentioned and described in the mortgage as follows:

Lot 1 of WM. H. WHITE & COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, of a part of Lot 35 of Beardsley's Second Addition to the Village of Boyne, now City of Boyne City, EXCEPT that part of Lot 1 of William H. White & Company's Subdivision of a part of Lot 35 of Beardsley's Second Addition to the Village of Boyne, now City of Boyne City, which lies Northwesterly of a line described as: Beginning at a point on the Southwesterly line of Lot 1, 40.00 feet Southeasterly from the most Westerly corner of said lot; thence Northeasterly to the point of ending on the Northerly line of said lot; said point ending being 45.00 feet Easterly of the Northerly corner of said Lot 1, as deed to MDOT in Liber 324, Page 703, Charlevoix County Records.

The length of the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 1, 2007

MICHELLE NOWKA

Roy C. Hayes, III
Hayes Turkelson & Groat, P.C.
by: Roy C. Hayes, III
(P50042)
Attorney for Mortgagee
Michelle Nowka
1404 Bridge Street,
Ste. 101
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231) 547-1111

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by EILEEN C. O'BRIEN, A WIDOW, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns,, Mortgagee, dated April 27, 2005, and recorded on May 5, 2005, in Liber 680, on Page 341, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars and Eighty-Eight Cents ($180,378.88), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statue in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on February 23, 2007

Said premises are situated in Township of CHARLEVOIX, Charlevoix County, Michigan and described as:
LOT 31, BIRCHWOOD RANCH SHORES NO. 2, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 2 ON PAGE 87 OF PLATS.
TAX ID NO. 05-004-350-031-00

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 18, 2007

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns,
Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive,
Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075

VILLAGE OF BOYNE FALLS 2007-2008 BUDGET HEARING

The Village of Boyne Falls will hold a 2007-2008 budget hearing Tuesday, February 13, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall located at 2290 Railroad St. Public is welcome to attend and present written or oral comments. Budgets for the General, Water, Major Street and Local Street Funds will be covered.

Lisa Harris, Village Clerk

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met, January 16, 2007, at 7:30 p.m.; Mayor Postma presiding with all members of Commission present. Minutes were approved and acknowledgement was given to paid bills in the amount of $1,024,198.52.

Further Commission Action: acknowledged receipt of Funds on Hand Report, December 2006; acknowledged receipt of Zoning Activity Report, December 2006; acknowledged receipt of Annual Zoning Activity Report 2006; approved Elm Pointe rental requests; approved Lions Club firewood and ice sales agreement; adopted Resolution 101-2007; adopted Resolution 102-2007; authorized signature on sewer extension permit application; rejected all bids for demolition at 102 Water Street; authorized sewer extension on Division Street and authorized payment for relocation of power pole.

A copy of the minutes of the above meeting is posted in City Hall for review during normal business hours.

Lori M. Campbell, CMC
City Clerk

BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING January 11, 2007

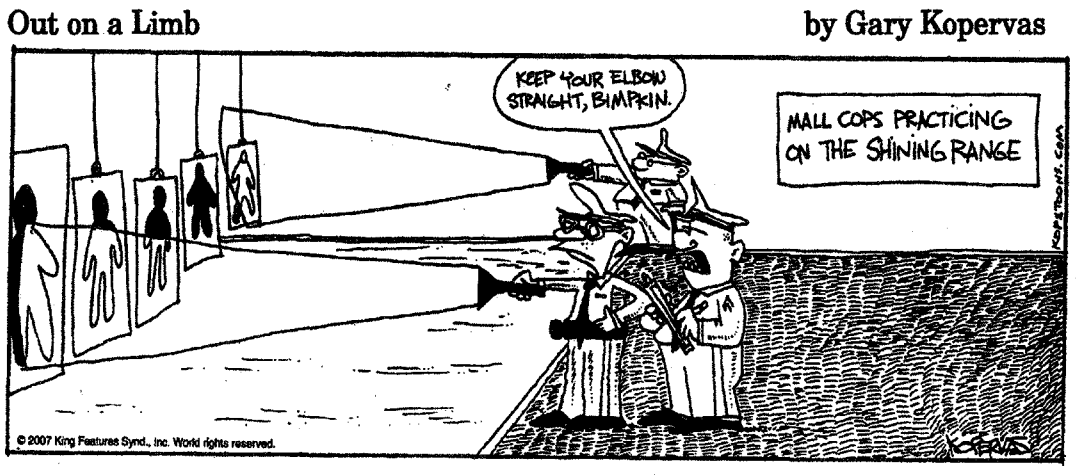
Accepted Treasurer's report. Approved December 14, 2006 Board of Trustees meeting minutes and December 20, 2006 Special Board of Trustee meeting minutes. Approved to pay Township obligations totaling $8,608.11. County Clerk Jane Brannon addressed Board regarding Bay Township Hall remaining the polling location for the Boyne City School election. Received Planning Commission report. Reappointed Ben Priebe as Board of Review member. Reviewed Marilyn Parkers Land Division application. Received Zoning Administrators summary of 2006 zoning activities, permits issued and zoning enforcement matters. Next Board of Trustees regular meeting to be held on Thursday, February 8, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

COMICS & CONUNDRUMS

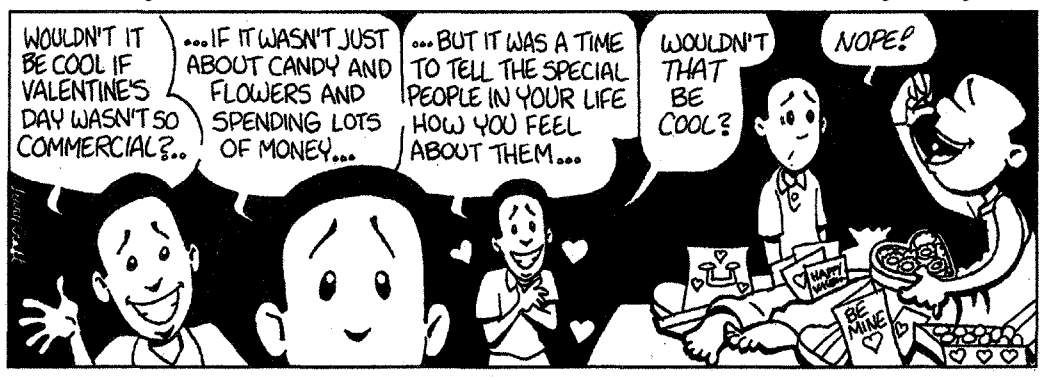
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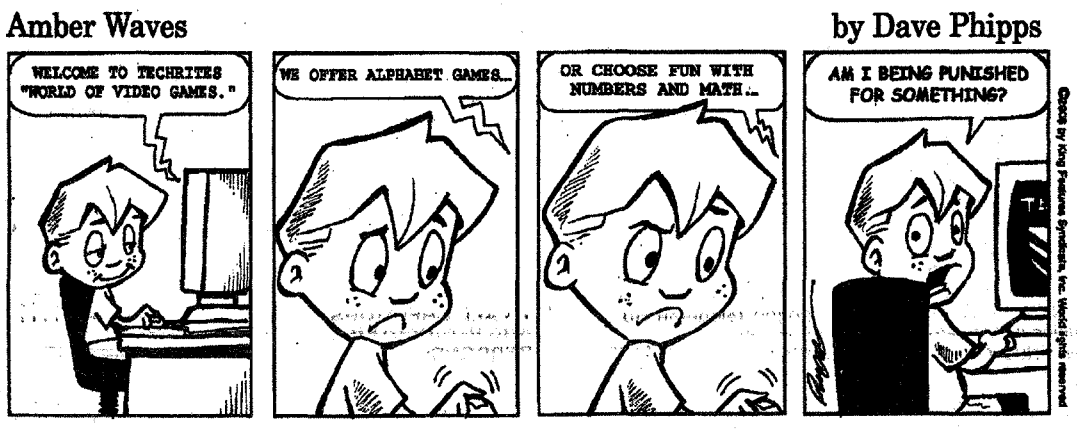
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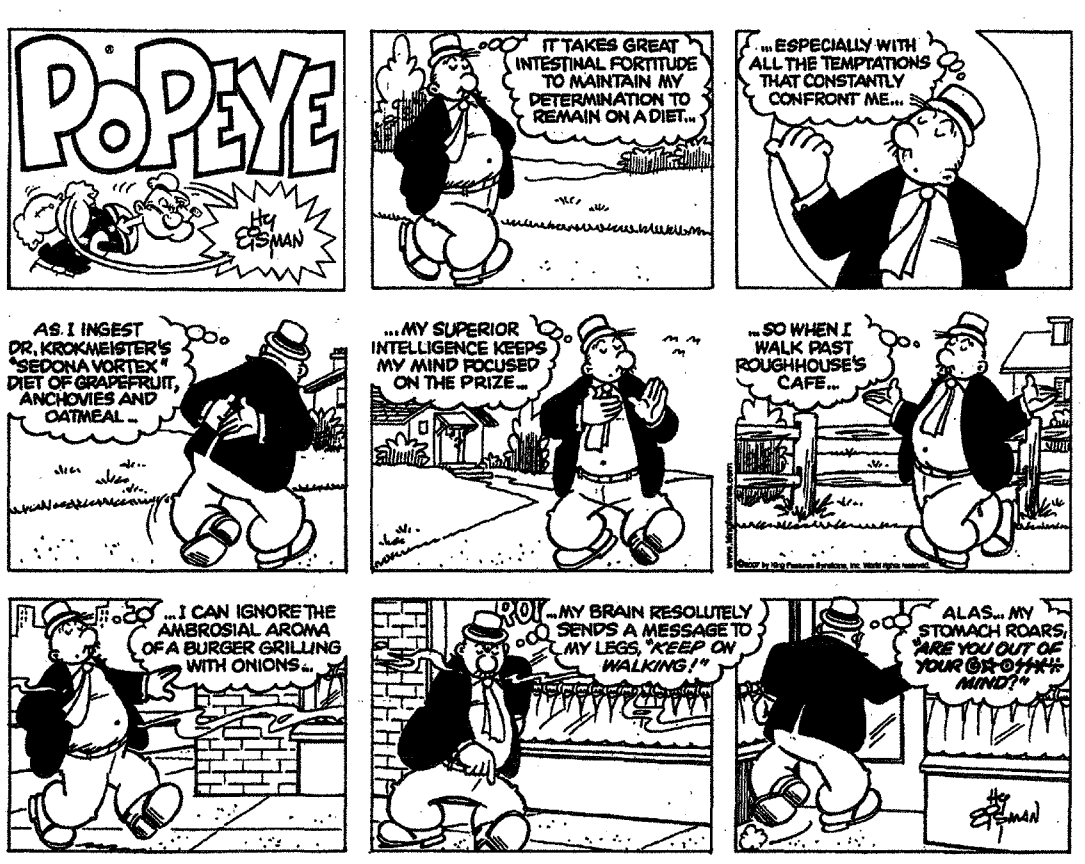


Mama's Boyz by Jerry Craft



Amber Waves by Dave Phipps





Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• A lawyer in Kansas was once awarded $35,000 in workers' compensation benefits. Most people don't think of the practice of law as a particularly dangerous occupation, so I wouldn't blame you for wondering why this attorney required workers' comp. Here's the scoop: He claimed that he injured his shoulder while reaching into the backseat of his car to get his briefcase.

• Add to the list of ill-conceived newspaper headlines: "Panda mating fails; veterinarian takes over."

• It was, of course, Ambrose Bierce, in his "Devil's Dictionary," who defined "compromise" as "such an adjustment of conflicting interests as gives each adversary the satisfaction of thinking he has got what he ought not to have, and is deprived of nothing except what was justly his due."

• What's in a name? Consider this odd coincidence: Every queen named Jane has either been locked up, gone mad, been murdered, been dethroned or died young.

• Do you like cashews? If so, you might be surprised that they are in the same plant family as poison ivy. That's why the nuts aren't typically sold in the shell — the oil contained therein can cause blisters, and when they're roasted, the shells give off noxious fumes.

• The only official Hindu holy place outside India is in a surprising location: the Appalachian Mountains. Prabhupada's Palace of Gold, near Wheeling, W.Va., was called by The New York Times "America's Taj Mahal." The Palace of Gold is a destination for tourists as well as spiritual pilgrims. Visitors can tour the palace and the gardens, getting a good look at the crystal ceiling of the 30-ton main dome, stained-glass windows, inlaid marble floors and walls, hand-carved teakwood furniture imported from India and, of course, the 22-karat gold that seems to virtually cover the buildings.

Thought for the Day: "In order to preserve your self-respect, it is sometimes necessary to lie and cheat." — *Robert Byrne*

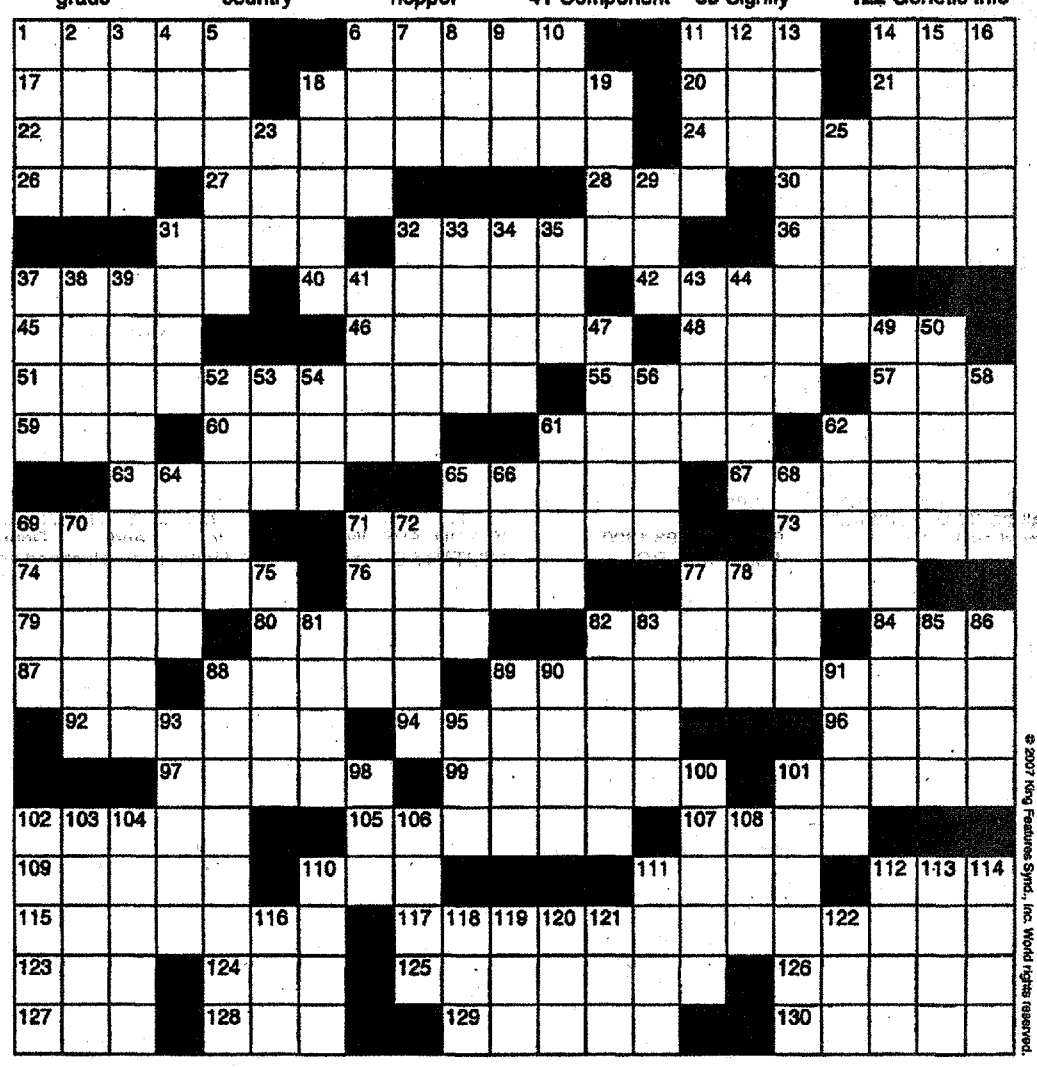
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Super Crossword

DIS MOUNT

ACROSS
1 TV's "The — of Life"
6 See 23 Down
11 Brit. fliers
14 Canine grp.
17 Shining
18 "Black Magic Woman" rockers
20 Vigoda of "Fish"
21 Mauna —
22 Start of a remark
24 Samara citizen
26 Director Wanamaker
27 Desire deified
28 Cyclone center
30 Word with talk or tennis
31 "— Crazy" ('80 film)
32 Dancer Juliet
36 Ancient epic
37 He had a gilt complex
40 New Orleans campus
42 Emulate Arachne
45 Be adjacent to
46 Excellent grade
48 Andes animals
51 Part 2 of remark
55 Art supporter?
57 Create a reservoir
59 Poetic monogram
60 "Jaws" setting
61 Origami supply
62 Saucony competitor
63 Phantom instrument
65 Cosmetic purchase
67 Aptitude
69 Crusoe's creator
71 Part 3 of remark
73 Country star Brooks
74 New York native
76 Soporific substance
77 Canvas cover?
79 Perfume bottle
80 Stuck in the mud
82 Relish a rose
84 — Jima
87 Corn portion
88 Doha's country
89 Part 4 of remark
92 It may be subordinate
94 Showy shrub
96 Architect Saarinen
97 Mr. Topper
99 Termination
101 Beneath
102 In progress
105 Ravine
107 Spellbound
109 Rousseau or Matisse
110 Missouri airport abbr.
111 Universal tradesman?
112 Herd word
115 Distinguished
117 End of remark
123 I love, to Livy
124 Dundee denial
125 Unfavorable
126 "— Gay"
127 Snug spot
128 Cable channel
129 Coup —
130 Heathen

DOWN
1 Some are saturated
2 Turkish title
3 Mr. Kadiddlehopper
4 Craggy hill
5 Cake and candy
6 Neighbor of Thailand
7 Pantry pest
8 Utmost
9 Musician Winding
10 Richards or Reinking
11 Valuable
12 — Simbel
13 Celebration
14 Excuse
15 Adorable Australian
16 Worked on a chair
18 Stallion sound
19 "It's been — —!"
23 With 6 Across, Ceylon, today
25 Hawthorne milieu
29 Evergreen tree
31 Fill to the gills
32 Roman writer
33 Tolled
34 Draft status
35 Moisten
37 Beer ingredient
38 Wading bird
39 '62 Gene Chandler smash
41 Component
43 Or — (threat words)
44 On one's toes
47 It makes rye high
49 Called attention to
50 Susan — James
52 Hit the ceiling
53 "— Man" ('67 hit)
54 Hullabaloo
56 Lhasa —
58 Engineering course
61 Limerick or haiku
62 Young of "Mr. Ed"
64 Make murky
65 Crossword puzzle part
66 Baton Rouge coll.
68 Lithe
69 Pigeon kin
70 Early computer
71 Israeli dance
72 "Tommy" or "Tosca"
75 Pile up
77 Snow —
78 Monte Rosa, for one
81 News bit
82 Group of geese
83 Signify
85 Had on
86 — about (approximately)
88 Division result
89 Lots
90 Ray or Moro
91 Flat rate?
93 — squash
95 Road to enlightenment
98 Cal. page
100 Prepare the Parmesan
101 Scheduled maintenance
102 Winning
103 — fatale
104 Soubise ingredient
106 — Romeo
108 Pretense
110 Manuscript imperative
111 Kid
112 — synthesizer
113 "Man — Mancha"
114 In the twinkling — eye
116 Palindromic name
118 "Kookie" Byrnes
119 First lady?
120 Allow
121 Undergarment
122 Genetic info



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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 grid contains the digits 1 through 9, but only once in each. No number is repeated in any row, column, or box.

Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com. For solutions check 'JRC Publications' on the solutions page of www.sudoku.com.

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V. EASY # 65

GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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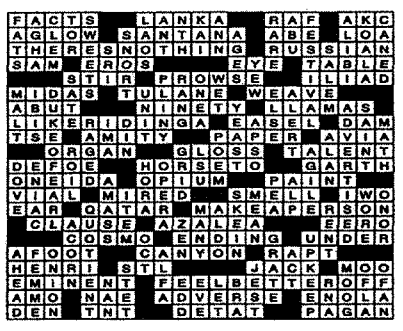
Sudoku Answers

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7	1	6	2	8	4	5	3	9
8	5	3	1	6	9	4	2	7
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Go Figure! answers

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20		25		19	

Super Crossword Answers



Local skiiers turn in winning performances at LMC meet

By Phil Trombley
Sports Writer

BOYNE CITY – Katherine Rowley turned in a pair of winning performances for the Charlevoix/ East Jordan co-op varsity ski team when she captured first place in both slalom and giant slalom at the Lake Michigan Conference ski meet held at Boyne Mountain on Thursday, Feb. 1.

Rowley had runs of 30.94 and 31.64 to win the slalom in a combined time of 1:02.58. She also turned times of 23.76 and 23.57 to win the GS in 47.33.

In the team standings Boyne City placed second to Harbor Springs in both the boys and girls competition.

Harbor Springs won the girls meet with 54 points followed by Boyne City (66), Traverse City St. Francis (97), Char/EJ (111), Grayling (127) and Elk Rapids (220).

Harbor won the boys meet with 38 points followed by Boyne City (69.5), TCSF (86), Char/EJ (132), Grayling (159) and Elk Rapids (170.5).

Christina Rowland was second in slalom (106.87) and third in GS (49.68) to lead the Boyne City girls, while Allison Wright placed fourth in GS (50.55).

The Boyne City boys team was led by Nick Simeri, who placed third in slalom (1:04.85) and fourth in GS (47.28), and Kaleb McNamara, who was fourth in slalom (1:06.38) and fifth in GS (47.33).

Other local finishers in the boys competition included:

Boyne City – Mike Cortwright (10th GS), Tom Hague (19th S, 13th GS), Joe Shear (14th S, 27th GS), Sterling Adgate (16th S).

Charlevoix/East Jordan – Mac Brennan (9th GS), Tanner Fisher (17th S, 15th GS), Michael Cardwell (23th S, 18th GS), Geoff Baier (25th S, 21st GS), Zack Smith (26th S, 20th GS), Nick Williams (32nd S, 17th GS).

Other local finishers in the girls competition included:

Boyne City – Jessica Grice (9th S, 12th GS), Morgan Harding (13th S, 6th GS), Alex Welborn (17th S), Natalie Lindsay (18th S, 13th GS).

Charlevoix/East Jordan – Mary Gocha (11th S, 19th GS), Amanda Fritsch (20th GS), Rachel Boss (21st GS), Steffy Poindexter (22nd S, 22nd GS), Emily Bajko (23rd S, 14th GS), Caroline Dupuis (26th S).

Boyne City's Jared Friedrich won the boys B slalom race.

Boyne Mountain is the site for the Boyne City/ Charlevoix Invitational Saturday, Feb. 10.

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Ramblers

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said.

Moore led the win with 24 points, including 14 of 15 free throws, and added seven rebounds for the night. Voice chipped in with 22 points and 11 boards to get a double-double.

"Jeff really has worked hard on his shooting and it paid off with 14 of 15 at the foul line, 12 of 13 in the second half," Hertel said.

Boyne City led 15-7, 29-19 and 42-27 at the end of the first three quarters.

Josh Stapleton and Mike Boylan led Grayling with 13 points each.

Boyne City (5-7 overall) will host Kalkaska on Friday, Feb. 9, and travel to Gaylord on Tuesday, Feb. 13.

Boyne middle school skiers capture top five spots

BOYNE CITY — The Boyne City girls middle school ski team took the top five spots to win the 7th and 8th grade girls race at the middle school ski meet at Boyne Mountain Tuesday, Jan. 30.

Boyne City totaled 12 points followed by Traverse City East (30), Grayling (51) and East Jordan (73).

Boyne City was led by Lacey Hofweber, who won the event with a time of 51.46, Kaitlyn Bohnet (51.61), Katie Hicks (52.73), Lizzy Hofweber (52.81) and Torrie Cheadle (56.52).

Boyne City placed third in the boys race with 48 points behind Traverse City East (16) and Traverse City West (27).

Boyne City was led by Andy Blossom (49.51), Neil Anderson (53.98), Collin Kruzel (58.12) and Norm Berge (58.91).

Results for East Jordan included Danny Bryant (1:01.81), Steven Boris (1:09.720, Ellen Boyer (1:06.52), Alyshia Healey (1:10.35), Sarah DeHann (1:15.98) and Lissa Vincent (1:17.86).

Boyne City's Austin Pike won the 5th and 6th grade boys race with 1:00.65.

Other results included East Jordan's Casey Keane (58.22) and Boyne City's Austin Gardner (1:04.06), Margaret Durbin (1:00.16), Abbey Hofweber (1:07.00) and Meredith Hague (1:07.67).

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Devils

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three in the second half, but we were able to bounce back both times," said Weber.

Ryan Dykersterhouse led Glen Lake with 19 points, Kyle Klumpp added 17 points and Jack Drow netted nine.

East Jordan (6-7 overall. 3-6 LMC) will be at home for its next two games against Grayling on Friday, Feb. 9, and Ellsworth on Tuesday, Feb. 13.

Jayvee victorious

Hines scored 22 points and grabbed seven steals, Page added 16 points and Fuller tossed in ten to lead the East Jordan boys jayvee team to a 62-38 win over Glen Lake.

"Our defense allowed us to score a lot of offensive points," said Doty.

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